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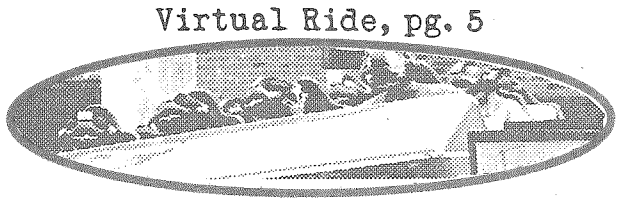
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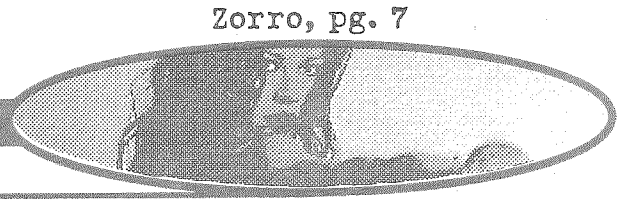
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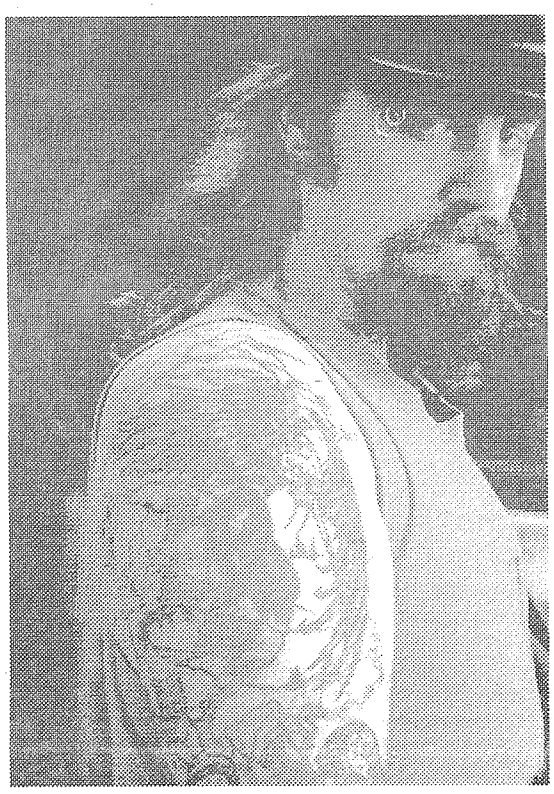


Photo taken from Stoutonia archives

Owner of tattoo and piercing shop Alternative Expressions, Bruce Ackerman, has been charged in a string of reports alleging sexual assault against female customers. Police are asking for anyone who knows of similar events to come forward.

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-chief

Local proprietor Bruce Ackerman has been arrested and charged with nine counts of fourth degree sexual assualt and one count of taking a nude photograph without the person's permission, according to a Sept. 1 report from the Menomonie Police Department.

The owner of Alternative Expressions, a tattoo and body piercing establishment in Menomonie, was under investigation previous to his arrest for acts that allegedly occured between Nov. 1997 and May 1998.

The charges entail reports of Ackerman touching several women inappropriately while they were receiving tattoos. A woman who received a tattoo from Ackerman filed the report. She phoned police from a location in the state of Washington and later traveled to Menomonie to finalize charges, according to Officer Chris Langlois.

Ackerman brought Alternative Expressions to 106 W. Main St. in 1997, hoping to expand it into a line of businesses called Square Peg Studios. He came to UW-Stout as an Art Education major before being licensed by the city of Menomonie.

Since Ackerman's arrest, Alternative Expressions has been replaced by the Atlantis Music store, below Acoustic Cafe.

Menomonie Police are asking that those with further information about Ackerman, contact Officer Steve Chronis at 232-2198 or 232-1283.

More information on the case will follow as developments occur.

Wild Video Party turns out a crowd of 500

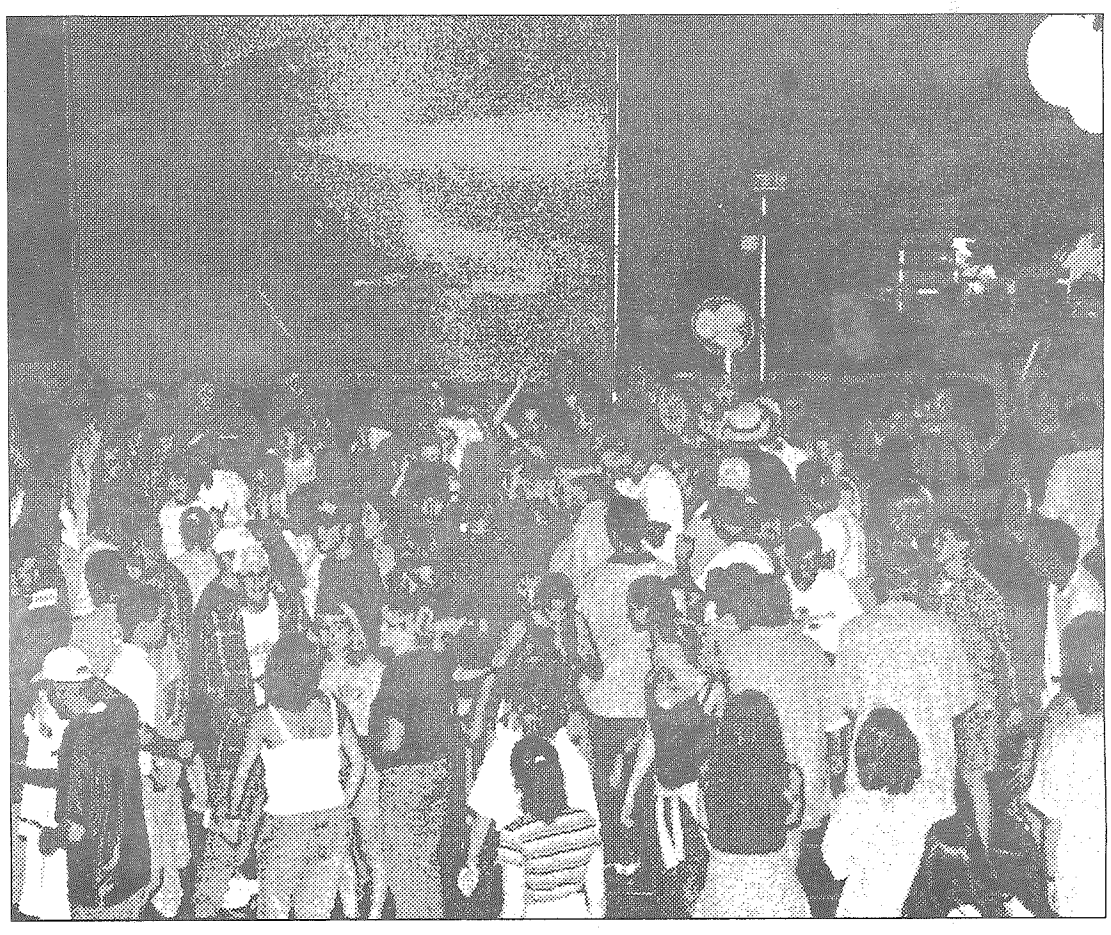


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

The Wild Video Party, equipped with wide-screen videos and a D.J., drew 500 to the Great Hall on Aug. 30. The production was part of a new campus-wide student orientation program run by Organizations Advisor Starla Dixen, with the help of numerous volunteers.

Local museum opened utilizing student talents

by Billy Thayer
Staff Reporter

Early this summer Dunn County Historical Society's Russell J. Rassbach Museum opened its doors to the public. The new museum was created due to the inadequacies of the old structure, and is now located in Menomonie's Wakanda Park. It is hoped that the new historical museum will provide Menomonie residents with a quality place to learn about their community's history.

Contributions from both UW-Stout students and faculty have helped to make the museum a success. For several years, the museum has been working in conjunction with Stout to create both an eye-catching and resourceful museum. "They [Stout] have presented us with a lot of good ideas," said President of the Dunn County Historical Society, Roy Ostenso.

Several groups of Stout students worked on various aspects of the project that according to many, truly made the museum come together. The first task students took on was creating a design for the interior of the building, an exciting endeavor for interior design students. The imaginative group developed 11 different designs for the museum to choose from. "They did an outstanding job," said Ostenso.

A lighted relief map of the area, with CD program, depicts the leg-

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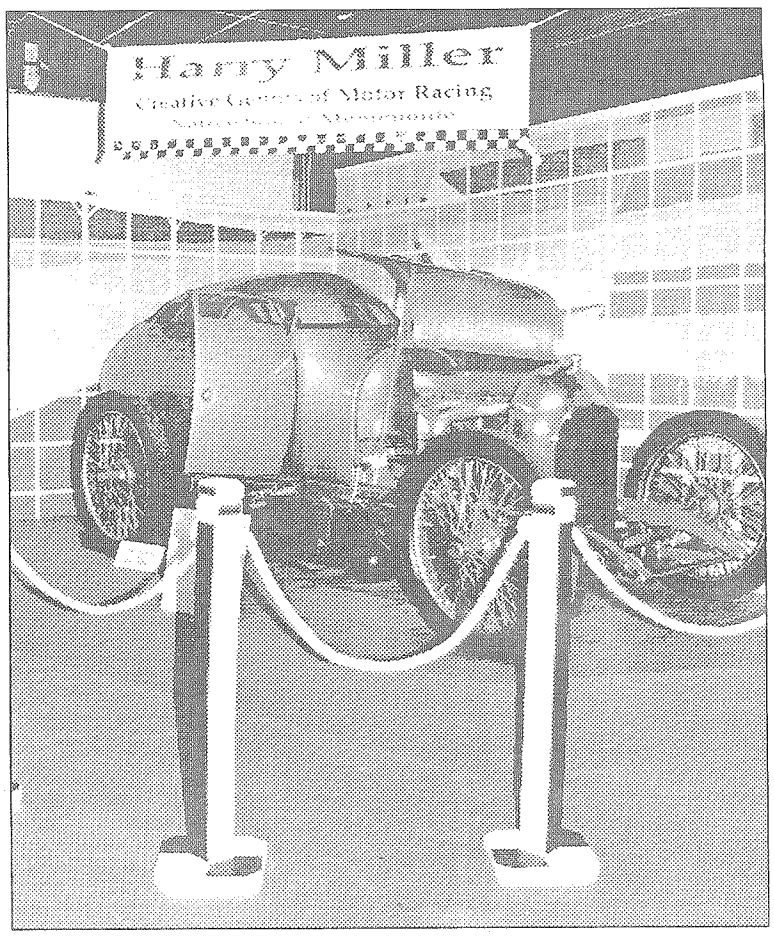
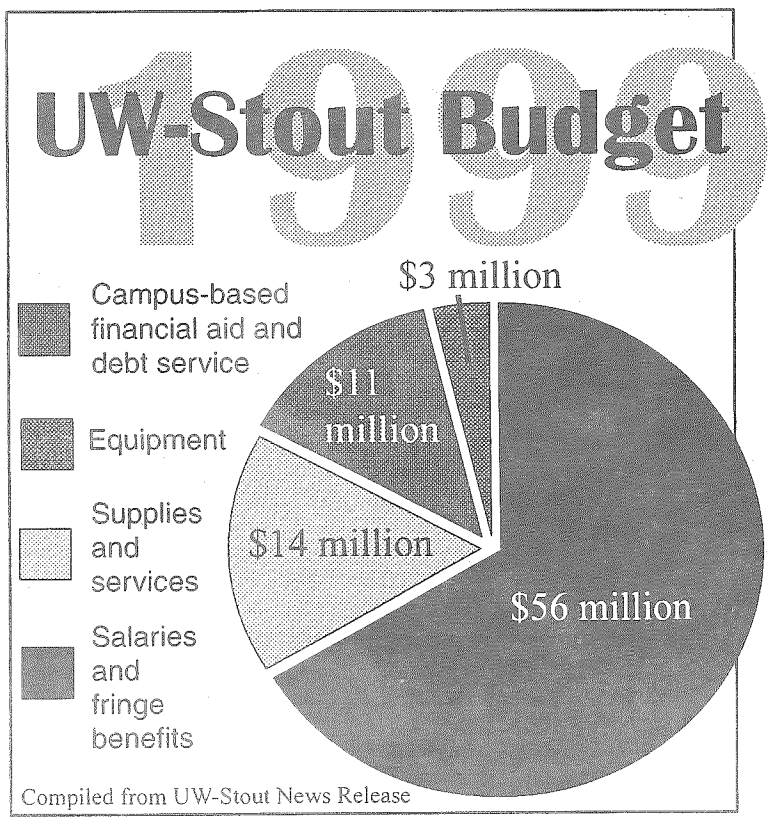


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Students' design services were requested for the museum that opened May 29 in Wakanda Park. Among other things, students designed and built the platform beneath this car, which can swivel, tilt, and move easily around the museum floor.



Compiled from UW-Stout News Release

Vice Chancellor Jan Womack resigns

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-chief

Jan Womack, vice chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services at UW-Stout, has resigned effective May 15.

Womack will take a position as associate vice provost for Academic Affairs at the University of Oklahoma. She will be working at the University's Health Sciences Center, which deals with health-related education, research, and service programs.

The Oklahoma campus boasts over 70 degree programs in its Graduate Colleges of Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Allied Health, Public Health, and Nursing. Womack will serve as the liaison between the Oklahoma State Regents and the University Regents.

Chancellor Sorensen said Womack's "expertise in strategic planning and her experience in organizational development and planning have been extremely beneficial in preparing the university for the 21st Century."

Womack's husband Joe became senior vice president of The Trust Company of Oklahoma in early March.

Also leaving Stout is the familiar face of Helmuth "Pookie" Albrecht, who is retiring after 35 years of service to Stout. The 61-year-old executive director responsible for residence halls, dining services, the Student Center, student health services, and campus police and parking began at Stout as a residence hall director. Chancellor Sorensen called Albrecht a major player in the university's operation and an advocate for student needs.

Museum/student designs

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endary Kraft State Bank robbery of 1931, a product of Jim Bjornerud's research and development class.

Beyond the physical attributes of the building, students helped in providing exposure for the museum. A Letter Form Design class taught by Bill DeHoff created coordinating signs throughout the museum, while Dan Riordan's Technical Writing class provided them with their own web page.

"We try to encourage different parts of the community to become involved," said Ostenso. Stout students have clearly shown their technical knowledge, taking them outside the classroom, and walking away with the best possible hands-on encounter.

News Briefs

Compiled by Nicole Heckmann

Boxing champ files lawsuit against Swissair

NEW YORK - Former boxing great Jake LaMotto sued Swissair and Boeing Co. on Wednesday over the death of his son in the crash of Flight 111 last week.

The suit claims they ignored FAA warnings about wiring troubles on the aircraft and did little to rectify the problems.

Swissair asserts that they voluntarily complied with the FAA directives.

Impeachment threats loom over Russia

MOSCOW - Another day goes by while Russia is struggling with only a partially functioning government.

The country's economy is crumbling while President Boris Yeltsin ponders his next move in the political game with Parliament.

It has been thought that Yeltsin will nominate a communist who would be favored by the left-dominated Parliament, yet signs indicate he may insist on acting Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin.

Israel accused of human rights abuses

JERUSALEM - Amnesty International recently released a 40 page report that charges Israel and the Palestinian Authority with consistently violating human rights in the name of security measures.

The report outlines the arrest and torture of over 8,000 Palestinians in Israel, all occurring since the country signed their first peace agreement five years ago.

The Palestinian Authority detained hundreds of suspected Islamic militants and collaborators, according to Amnesty, 19 of which have died in detention mostly as a result of torture.

Sexist Science

FAIRFAX, VA - Fertility researchers announced Wednesday that they've found a way to sort sperm, allowing parents to choose the sex of their baby.

Sperm cells used in artificial insemination can be sorted by the amount of DNA they contain, say doctors at the Genetics and IVF Institute.

By targeting either X or Y chromosome-bearing sperm, the institute's doctors said in a statement, sperm samples could be extracted that contain a majority of cells with either chromosome.

In trials, 29 pregnancies have been initiated to produce females. So far, nine patients have given birth to 11 healthy baby girls according to the institute.

A study of couples requesting boys also turned out results consistent with their productions, a lead researcher said. Exact results were not released however.

University Notes

Compiled by Nicole Heckmann from submitted news releases

Alpine Ski Trip

The Alpine Ski and Snowboard Club and Alpine Race Team on campus invite enthusiasts to hit the slopes with them. A Winter Break trip to Copper Mt., Colorado is planned for Jan. 2-10. Stout students will be joining 40 other universities, including Purdue, Notre Dame, and Michigan. Racers - the race team that placed 8th at regionals last year invites all to check them out. Weekly meetings are every Tuesday night at 9 p.m. in the Maple/Oakwood Room of MSC. Call Tim Fox at 233-0086.

Golf Scramble

University Recreation is looking for contestants in their Golf Scramble on Friday, Sept. 25. The Scramble will begin with a shotgun start at 3:30. Sign up at the Multi-purpose Room of Johnson Fieldhouse.

Aerobics! Aerobics!

University Recreation is offering a free week of aerobics, Sept. 8-11. The classes are from 7-8 p.m. in the Multi-purpose Room of Johnson Fieldhouse and include instructor's choice of step aerobics, floor aerobics, body sculpting, or a combination. Be at the Multi-purpose Room Monday, Sept. 14 for the annual Aerobics Extravaganza, offering a combination of workouts for both the new and seasoned exercisers. Brought to campus by University Aerobics program and University Recreation.

Rummage Sale

Rummagers - Kappa Lambda Beta will be holding their sale Thursday and Friday, Sept. 10-11 in the Great Hall of MSC.

Wanted: Next Great Cartoonist

A talent search is on for the next great strip cartoonist, sponsored by those that introduced Doonsebury, Cathy, and Ziggy. Winners will be awarded cash prizes and published in a book collection released nationwide in the spring of 1999. Pick up entry forms at the Bookstore. Sponsored by Andrews McMeel Universal.

The Bridge to Hope

The Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault program serving Dunn and Pepin Counties presents its fall Training Program for volunteers: Sept. 16 at 5:30-6:30 p.m., Sept. 17 at 5:30-8 p.m., and Sept. 19 at 9 a.m.-noon. To register for training and check out volunteer opportunities, call Debbie Green at 235-9074.

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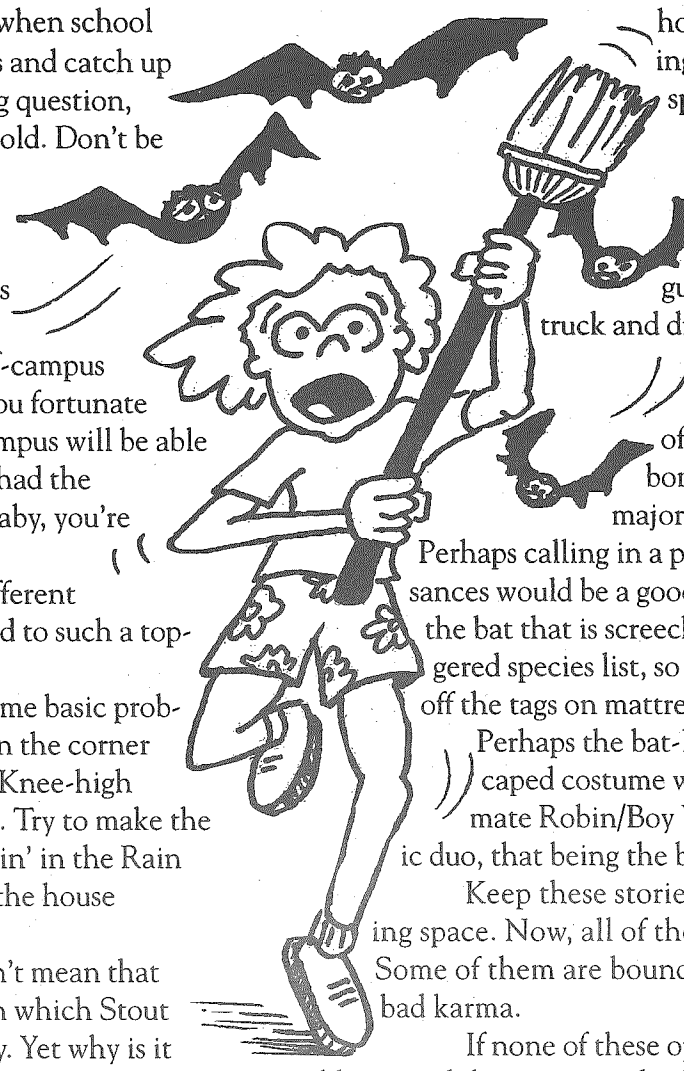
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Editorial

Off-campus housing adventures



Aaaa September, that magical month when school resumes once again. Time to make new friends and catch up with the old ones. (By the way, the everlasting question, "How was your summer?" is getting extremely old. Don't be surprised to hear about students going postal.) Some of us are new to the college scene, while others still are old pros. In some cases old is emphasized. Stout is full of many opportunities in careers, jobs, parties, and even housing. While dorm life isn't all that bad (or is it?), off-campus living does seem rather attractive. Those of you fortunate (or is that unfortunate?) enough to live off-campus will be able to relate to this editorial. Those that haven't had the joys/pains of off-campus housing - buckle up baby, you're going for a ride.

Horrible roommates are an entirely different story; in fact, an entire issue could be dedicated to such a topic. So let's focus on the actual dwelling itself. Whether it be a house or an apartment, the same basic problems arise. Say it rains. Some students cower in the corner when dark rain clouds appear on the horizon. Knee-high boots and buckets become the rainy day attire. Try to make the best of this situation. Learn the words to Singin' in the Rain and recite them while invoking bad spirits to the house because an umbrella is open.

Now, just because it's September doesn't mean that heat is not necessary. In fact given the state in which Stout is located, heat would probably come in handy. Yet why is it that the outside temperature is warmer than the inside of some houses? Icicles should always form on the outside. Seeing one's breath and indoor ice hockey rinks formed by spilling water on the living room floor are not normal.

This is my question- who has to be slept with in order to get a maintenance person to come to houses? Students would like to know! (And would this form of bribery also work on the cable guy?) Is it really that much of a hassle to get in the truck and drive a few blocks? It's their freakin' job!

Normal household pests are to be expected. When the spiders start outnumbering the population of oh, say Madison, then something is wrong. Buy bug bombs, make new friends, have some interesting pets, or major in entomology. What about those abnormal pests? Perhaps calling in a professional for those possum, raccoon, or bear nuisances would be a good idea. However, think twice before hunting down the bat that is screeching throughout the house. They are on the endangered species list, so killing one would be against the law, just like ripping off the tags on mattresses. They're really not so bad - they kill mosquitoes.

Perhaps the bat-like behavior will rub off. Definite warning sign: caped costume with (optional) nipples and starting to call a roommate Robin/Boy Wonder. Maybe then it's time to break up the dynamic duo, that being the bat and the house.

Keep these stories(?) in mind when shopping for an off-campus living space. Now, all of these things may or may not happen to every student. Some of them are bound to, while others are reserved for those with really bad karma.

If none of these options seem appealing, start a photo album of housing problems, and then contact the Stout Student Association.

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Letters

To the young people of the world,

You are being let down by us, the older generation who are bequeathing you a world in deep trouble. You are the only ones who can save it. Why, you might ask, does the world need saving?

One does not have to be clairvoyant to recognize the danger to all of us and to be dismayed at the tepid response of those in charge. When challenged, they deny that our existence is threatened. But when yet another country explodes a nuclear device or starts manufacturing biological weapons, then it becomes obvious that the whole human species, including its many wonderful people and works of art, are in danger. When on top of that the Earth's air, water, and soils become contaminated, populations multiply, and new epidemics threaten while we cannot control the old ones - then hand wringing, endless conferences, and photo opportunities for heads of state will not do anymore.

There are a lot of years being taken away from you. Instead of continuing to be the victims of the older generation, you can stop them by organizing yourselves into a political force (there are about a billion of you between the ages of 15 and 25) and pressuring them into establishing global protection agencies that are independent of governments and corporations. That way we could stop the next nuclear war before it starts, let the Earth breathe again, and leave bacterial viruses in the rain forests.

Once you are a political force with headquarters and branches across the world, oppositions will crumble knowing that they too want to be saved. That applies to the giant global corporations as well as to individuals.

Egon P. Winter

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Campus Slant

What was the craziest thing you did this summer?



"Made out with the *Titanic* poster...again."

Jenni Strangis
Junior
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Administration



"I fell off a roof while shingling it."

Shad Brenhoft
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"I stayed in Menomonie this summer."

Beau Riely
Senior
Business



"While driving my stock car, I slammed into a concrete wall going about 80 miles per hour."

John Raupp
Junior
Adult Education
Technology



"We survived the Hanson mosh pit."

Steve Bushner
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Next Week's Question: Where were you when *Titanic* came out on video?

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Students step into virtual reality



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Enjoying the free virtual reality ride as part of the Biggest House Party on Campus, students discover a new dimention. These activities gave students an exciting and inexpensive alternative to the monotonous drinking at house parties, providing individuals with the opportunity to meet new people.

Disguising Freshman Inuendos

✓Avoid wearing your high school letter jacket. Your accomplishments are fabulous darling, but it's time to move on. Your band uniform is unacceptable as well.

✓Avoid walking in those atrocious identity-robbing packs. Try striding solitaire. The ground feels more solid beneath your feet; the air is cleaner; your future lies ahead.

✓Eat vegetables. Maternal as this sounds, even this hipster did fall prey to that awful palor that takes over your skin and intellect from a steady diet of ramen, mac n' cheese, and hermetically sealed fried goodies.

✓Spend more time studying for class than you do getting ready for it in the morning. In case you haven't noticed, the zipcode is 54751, not 90210, and nobody who's that engrossed in aesthetics will come out very well in the academics.

✓DON"T follow the crowd. Besides college being the stomping ground of independence, this is where individual thought thrives. Also, note the statistics confronting freshman. The high drop out rate sometimes manifests itself in a crowd of people who look incredibly fun at the time.

✓Have fun. Explore Menomonie and the beautiful, scenic nature it offers. (If you don't want to, do it in lieu of the sophisticated cosmopolitan scene it doesn't).

by Patsy Stone Campus Hipster

New opportunities ascend for freshmen

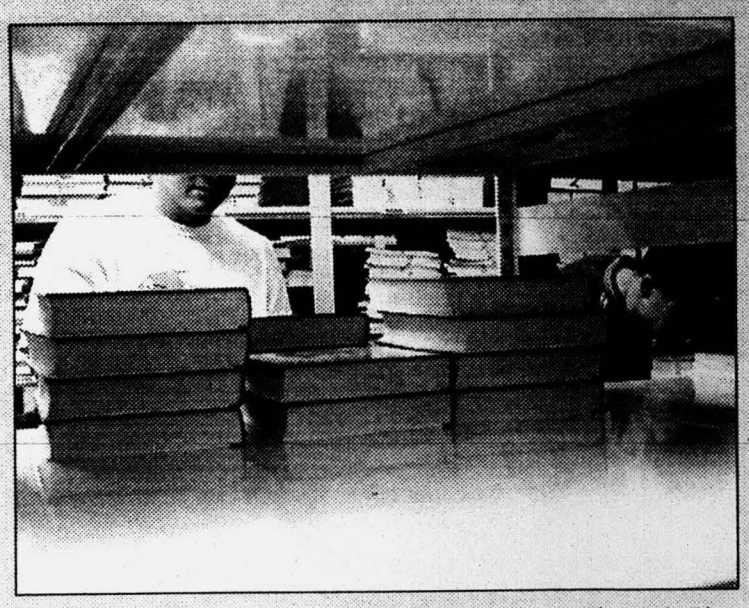


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

To help reduce confusion, freshmen were guided through Instructional Resources by their team leaders.

by Patsy Stone
Staff Reporter

For over 400 students, the real college learning began days before classes officially began at UW-Stout. Sunday, Aug. 30, marked the beginning of the first ever New Student Orientation at Stout. This project paired up returning Stout students with groups of incoming freshmen through a series of tours, educational seminars, community activities, and fun.

The project was coordinated by Starla Dixon, who cited the main purpose as "helping to acclimate new students with Stout." Dixon is currently Stout's marketing specialist of student activities.

Besides the 35 returning students serving as team leaders, over 35 faculty members including professors, deans, and chancellors volunteered. They all joined in the act with a giant "move-in" at the residence halls on Sunday. The following days were filled with educational seminars on pertinent college topics such as setting up an e-mail account and financial planning while at school. Also included in the activities were crucial first steps, like checking out textbooks and locating all classrooms BEFORE that first day.

Each evening featured entertainment for all to attend; local musical groups, entertainers, movies, and a dance were some attractions offered. The annual Meet Menomonie Night boasted its largest attendance yet, due in a large part to the new UW-Stout Orientation. Four hundred more people attended than last year. In fact, the vendors and businesses there were so overwhelmed with the swell that they ran out of supplies.

"I think that the students felt more connected to Stout and also feel a great sense of community," said Dixon. She is already looking forward to a repeat performance next year. The planning for next year's orientation is set to begin after Halloween.

The experience was not only good for the new students, but it was also rewarding for many team leaders. Above and beyond being a leader to 20 freshmen, many new friendships were formed. Team leader Corey Klein said, "It's pretty cool to be walking around campus and see these familiar faces. For me it feels good to have a chance to connect with the new students, while also hopefully combatting the freshmen mortality rate." Klein's comments make reference to the serious percentage of first year students who do not return to college the following year. This factor, coupled with the barrage of unfamiliar stimuli confronting new students, makes the orientation an especially important new tradition for Stout.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day will be appearing periodically. Chloe depicts the life of a typical college student. Addressed within this column are the humorous accounts of a real college student's life. This week Chloe will touch on the joys and horrors of being 21.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff columnist

Once again the students are flocking through campus like herds, and summer has slipped through the fingers of time. I actually was starting to look forward to school towards the last few weeks of summer. Needless to say, my summer was nothing to write home about. The highlight of the entire season was the fact that after 2000 years of waiting and sitting at home while everyone else went to the bars, I passed the last landmark I will ever in my life want to admit. So I finally got the honor and privilege to go out and abuse alcohol like almost every other UW-Stout student. My birthday didn't leave me unscathed in the least, however. In fact, it left me wounded in more ways than one.

I was at OB just minding my business, honestly sober or mostly sober or kind-of sober. I just ventured my way up to the bar to treat myself to a Long Island (and eventually a headache the next morning). So, here I am with a new drink in my hand, an I-just-turned-21 look upon my face, and a nice short skirt on my dancin' hips. As I was strutting my stuff across the floor, I recognized a friend of mine I hadn't seen all summer. I ventured toward him with a cat-like speed. I weaved through the crowd all sleek and sly. I did almost reach my destination. It was those damn four steps and my too high heals that screwed me over. I must have miscalculated the height of the steps, either that or they moved, because the next thing I know I'm fighting a losing battle of keeping my face from kissing the floor. Using my instinctive reflexes, I push myself up enough to not fall completely on my face. Too bad I couldn't have landed on my feet. On my knees, I pray to God that no one caught my embarrassing folly. I stay on my knees for about 10 seconds to regain my composure and alleviate the redness of my face. When I get up, I notice that indeed everyone's eyes are on me. So much for cat-like speed and reflexes.



You know that a situation is bad when everyone stops talking and the music basically skips off the record? Well this was that exact situation. I felt as if I could have bowed, everyone would have clapped, whistled, and put a dunce hat on my head to wear for the rest of the evening. I pretty much wanted to crawl into a hole and die; being invisible at that moment would have also been an option. There was a positive side to this incident though. I got to brag to all my friends and get sympathy from the male population for the two big bruises I was sporting on both of my knees.

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The First Annual Stoutonia Movie Awards

by Corey Klein
Entertainment Editor

The memories of the summer have now been marred by class schedules, the blinding brilliance of the fall colors, and football tailgating parties surrounded by brats and beer. But before we dive into our schoolwork wholeheartedly, I'd like to take the chance to review what was part of almost all of our summer experiences - the blockbuster movies! And with that, we'll dive into the first ever (and hopefully annual) Stoutonia Summer Movie Awards. Some categories will be recognized as Oscar rip-offs, while others are unique concoctions meant for amusement only.

Most Unbelievable:
Godzilla
Armageddon
The Truman Show
X-Files

This category features the films whose producers felt the audience would believe anything, and many moviegoers did. I have no doubt that: a) toxic waste can and will cause mutants, b) a celestial body will at some point collide with the Earth, or c) there are alien forces roaming the universe with or without our knowledge. This leaves us with the notion that TV producers would invest in a show that follows a man around for the duration of his life and creates a city solely for this purpose. This made ***The Truman Show*** entirely undigestable and left it on the whim of Jim Carrey to save it.

Best Explosion:
X-Files
Armageddon
Deep Impact
Lethal Weapon 4

I was convinced that the *X-Files* had this category wrapped up with the destruction of a Dallas federal building, until ***Lethal Weapon*** hit the screen. Any movie where I see a man with a flame thrower fly across the screen and splat into a semi-truck must get my vote.

Saddest Flick:
Deep Impact
Truman Show
Armageddon
Saving Private Ryan

Although movies of the late summer (the heavy hitters) held a higher draw and invoked many a tear-jerking scene, this prize would have to go to ***Deep Impact***. Those who ventured to theaters early this summer would agree that the Morgan Freeman/Tea Leoni act was ultimate in emotion provocation.

Biggest Hype:
Armageddon
Godzilla
Truman Show
Saving Private Ryan

This is a tough category to come out ahead in! When I ventured out to the community megaplex and saw a meteor bearing the date of an unnamed movie's opening date, I knew picking this category's winner would be difficult. Fortunately, ***Godzilla*** flew above the pack, spending tremendous amounts to push the Matthew Broderick film.

Biggest Breakthrough:
Ben Stiller - *Something About Mary*
Chris Rock - *Lethal Weapon 4*
Tea Leoni - *Deep Impact*
Catherine Zeta-Jones - *Zorro*

This category is dedicated to those lesser known names who gained the most attention from their parts over the summer. Many names emerged this summer and will continue to bloom this fall, but the name that rose above all others was **Chris Rock**. The former Saturday Night Live standout added spice and humor to a nearly dead continuum in *Lethal Weapon 4*.

Best Soundtrack:
He Got Game
Armageddon
Bulworth
Godzilla

As movie soundtracks are all the rage, this catagory is an immediate necessity. Unfortunately, this summer's contestants are weighed heavily into the hip-hop category. Anyone who turns on the stereo will hear Pras and O. D. B.'s anthem to ***Bulworth,*** *Ghetto Superstar*, and with an equally powerful line-up, *Bulworth* walks off with this title, amidst the stiff competition of Aerosmith, Puff Daddy, and Public Enemy.

Funniest Flick:
Armageddon
Lethal Weapon 4
Something About Mary
Can't Hardly Wait

As many of us attend movies to put us in a good mood, the winner of this category is usually a box office smash over the summer months. *Armageddon* and *Lethal Weapon 4* did exceptionally well at crossing category lines, but it was the true comedy ***Something About Mary*** which won the summer over. There was excellent production and direction by the Ferrel brothers, with the movie's only low point being the appearance of cheesehead overlord, Brett Favre (Fav-re???). For the first time Wisconsinites must admit their fearless leader is a mere mortal.

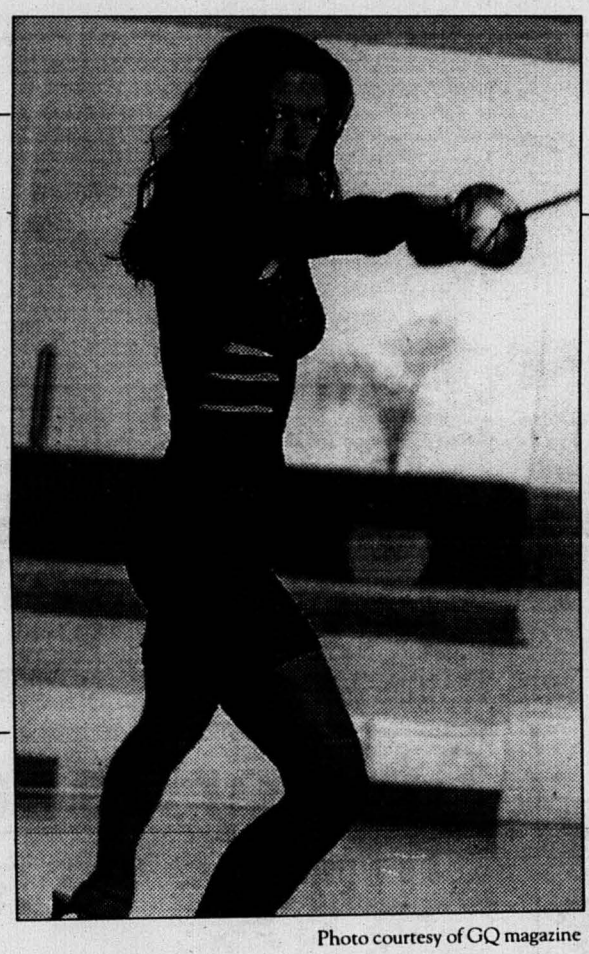


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While playing opposite Anthony Hopkins and Antonio Banderas in *Zorro*, Catherine Zeta-Jones earned herself a nomination in the *Best Breakthrough* category.

Best Dramatic Role:
Liv Tyler - *Armageddon*
Tom Hanks - *Saving Private Ryan*
Jim Carrey - *The Truman Show*
Kevin Spacey - *The Negotiator*

Often the talents that are displayed over the summer are overlooked at Oscar time, but we'll honor them here as the brightest over the season. Tom Hanks and Kevin Spacey, now old hats at the Oscar stand and invoking audience emotions, were no match for this summer's biggest shock: **Jim Carrey** came from stiff slapstick roots to deliver the most innocent of portrayals in *The Truman Show*. Carrey's acting talents shown through brightly as a modern day tragic hero.

Best Flick:
Armageddon
Truman Show
Saving Private Ryan
Something About Mary

The grandaddy of all categories; it has to reside here also. We can eliminate our competition by pointing out their shortcomings. *Armageddon*, the blockbuster action flick of the summer, was too unbelievable. Yes, a tragedy as such might happen, but for this crew EVERYTHING went wrong. At an event like that, some dumb luck has to occur. *Truman Show*, which was toomuch to swallow, was only held afloat by the best performance of the summer, Jim Carrey. Without his shockingly great performance, the movie would have easily failed. *Saving Private Ryan*, Steven Spielberg's eye-popping look at World War II, will be a critic's favorite at Oscar time, but lacked a plotline to support the acting talents displayed by the trio Tom Hanks, Matt Damon, and Tom Sizemore. This leaves us with the funniest flick over the summer, ***Something About Mary***. The ultimate date movie, *Mary* marks the Ferrel brothers' follow up to previous smashes, *Dumb and Dumber* and *Kingpin*.

Recap:

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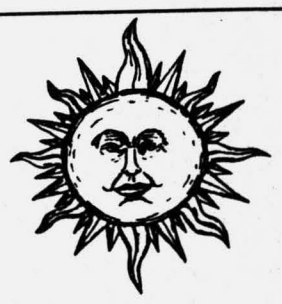
Coming up this fall are three picks that were advertised all summer and are only now hitting our local theaters.

Opening this weekend will be *Rush Hour*, starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker. The action/comedy should do very well as rising smart-mouth Tucker teams up with martial arts expert Chan.

Also debuting this weekend will be *54*, a dark comedy with the behind-the-scenes look at Hollywood's heyday party scene concerning Andy Warhol. Here Mike Myers will attempt a Jim Carrey-like transformation.

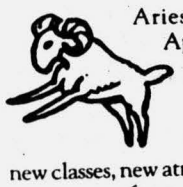
Out in theaters now is the MTV film, *Dead Man on Campus*, which should appeal to the average college student. The film features two, "he looks so familiar" actors that follow a school tradition and procure a suicidal roommate in an attempt to "earn" straight A's.

Horoscopes



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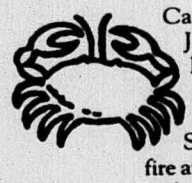
Aries (March 21 - April 19)
A brand new school year is ahead of us: new people, new classes, new atmosphere. Make sure you stay focused on school and don't let yourself hang around with the wrong crowd. Last year's incident involving the chess club and the six-pack they brought was just too much to handle in one night.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
You'll have a good laugh today when you see someone sit through your class for 20 minutes before they make a dash for the door when it hits them. They're in the wrong room (even though classes have been in session for a week now).



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
You will walk into a door frame today and everyone will laugh. This holds a very deep meaning, so listen up. TIME TO GET OUT OF YOUR LAZY SUMMER MODE. Wake up and join the rest of us. Go get a cappuccino or something.



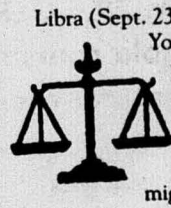
Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
Play a friendly prank on your roommate today. Set their bed on fire and dance around it yelling voodoo chants. I'm sure they will find this as humorous as you do.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Have you been feeling a little lonely lately? Go out and buy yourself a fun-loving pet that will attract attention and everyone will enjoy, like a cockroach. You can name him "Petie" and take him for walks on campus. Soon you'll be the most talked about person around.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
After months of consideration, you'll finally decide to become a pole dancer. You'll be ready to fulfill your lifelong dream. But then you'll change your mind once you realize that you have to buy your own pole.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)
You'll catch yourself tilting your glass at the milk stand in the cafeteria to reduce foam. You'll feel ashamed when you come to realize you might have a bit of a drinking problem.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)
Today you will discover that you can raise one eyebrow by itself but not the other. This will aggravate you and you'll spend the rest of the day trying to correct the situation.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Make a syllabus for yourself that includes a daily schedule of eating, resting, and limited study time. Hand these out to your professors and explain your standards for class.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Someone will spike your punch. You will get really loopy and make a fool out of yourself. Nothing new.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Beware of the nasty virus that is going around. It will put a serious damper on your plans. Perhaps you can hide under your bed for about a week. Don't go out, and keep a good stock of SPAM under there with you for emergencies.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
By now you've been able to pick out the sarcastic jokesters in all your classes that love to talk back to the teacher. You know, the "funny" ones that perk up when the teacher is one minute late and yell, "Hey man, let's all leave! Teacher's not coming!" In this situation, don't be afraid to pass on the tip: this is college. Leave your high school crap back home.

Blue Devils opened season at NCAA Division II South Dakota State

Coming off their best season in over 30 years, the Blue Devils are humbled by a superior team in an overwhelming atmosphere

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

The South Dakota State Jackrabbits proved to be a tough team to catch early on in the first half of a brutal Blue Devils season opener. After each team's first three possessions of the ball, the Jackrabbits lived up to their name, scoring on each drive, while the Blue Devils were forced to punt each time and never made it past the South Dakota 40-yard line. South Dakota would go on to take a 56-13 victory to please the hometown crowd of 3,436.

However, for a team coming off their best finish in more than 30 years, the Blue Devils are not as disappointed with the loss as one might expect. After finishing last season with a 5-2 conference record in the WIAC, good for second place after beating perennial favorites UW-La Crosse, UW-Stevens Point and UW-River Falls, the team insists that their first game was not an indicator of what is to come throughout the season.

"This is what is called a guarantee game," said Head Coach Ed Meierkort, returning for his sixth year at Stout. A team like South Dakota, playing in the North Central Conference and affiliated with the NCAA Division II, plays a team like Stout as a non-conference record builder. With over 40 players on scholarship, the chances of a WIAC Division III team like Stout turning the tables on the Jackrabbits add up to about $380,000 to zero. To compensate for the loss, the Blue Devils are rewarded with a little cash to pad their football fund.

> "This game was a lesson in reality. Last season is over. That can be tough on a kid's ego."
>
> Ed Meierkort, Head Coach

"Fans need to understand this was a stretch," Meierkort said. "This game was a lot closer than it looks, but people are bottom line people and the bottom line is the score."

However, the score is not enough to illustrate how competitive the game was start to finish. The Blue Devils put up a fight against the Jackrabbits, putting together a four-play, 68-yard scoring drive midway through the second quarter. The drive was capped off by Jesse Witcraft's 57-yard touchdown reception from quarterback Matt Bunyan to make their mark on the boards at 21-6. This drive came despite the 97 degree heat at kick-off time that forced the team to pull their front lines out early.

South Dakota tacked on two more scores in the second quarter. The first touchdown was set up when Stout was driving, but Bunyan was picked off by Jason Melcher, who returned the ball to the Stout 43-yard line. Five plays later, quarterback Noel Bouche found Steve Heiden for the 19-yard touchdown reception.

The Jackrabbits scored again late in the third quarter, but Stout answered with their best looking sustained drive of the day, covering 79 yards in nine plays. Bunyan found tailback Shawn Lund for a seven yard touchdown reception to make it 42-13 with 14 minutes left on the clock. Kicker Nolan Mosher's attempt to add to his career records proved successful. Recovering from a blocked kick after Stout's first touchdown, Mosher connected on the Blue Devil's second touchdown to set a school and career record for most points after touchdowns. Mosher now has 54 career PATs.

After South Dakota closed the game with two more scoring drives, there were more numbers to talk about besides just the final score. The Jackrabbits skipped off the field with a total of 517 yards on offense, while the Blue Devils held on to an impressive 314 total yards, including 141 on the ground and 173 in the air. With Stout's players averaging 6'4" and weighing in at around 294 pounds, Coach Meierkort insists, "we got in their way."

Bunyan threw for a total of 169 yards, 99 of that to Witcraft, who pulled in four catches throughout the game. Lund led Stout's ground game with 46 yards.

So, don't be fooled by the bottom-line score of this game: expectations are still high on the Blue Devil football field. The Blue Devils return 14 seniors this year, including three of their four starting defensive backs, who last year allowed the least amount of passing yards in the conference. Chalk this one up to experience, which no matter how bittersweet, can always come in handy when conference play starts.

"This game was a great experience for us," Meierkort said. "The kids liked the atmosphere of the game, playing in a big stadium in front of a big crowd, but it was humbling going home. This was a lesson in reality. Last season is over. That can be tough on a kid's ego."

Looking ahead to this Saturday's game against UM-Morris, another NCAA Division II team, the Blue Devils expect another highly competitive game. Except this time, Meierkort said with confidence, "We are favored to win for the next two weeks. The game [against South Dakota State] should help us mode well for the rest of the year. Now, when we play the big guys in our conference, it will make them look a little more human."

The Blue Devils are excited to be back on their own turf this weekend when they open at home against UM-Morris on Saturday, Sept. 12, at 7 p.m.

Last Season's WIAC Conference Standings

School	W	L
Whitewater	7	0
La Crosse	5	2
Stout	5	2
Eau Claire	4	3
Stevens Point	3	4
River Falls	3	4
Oshkosh	1	6
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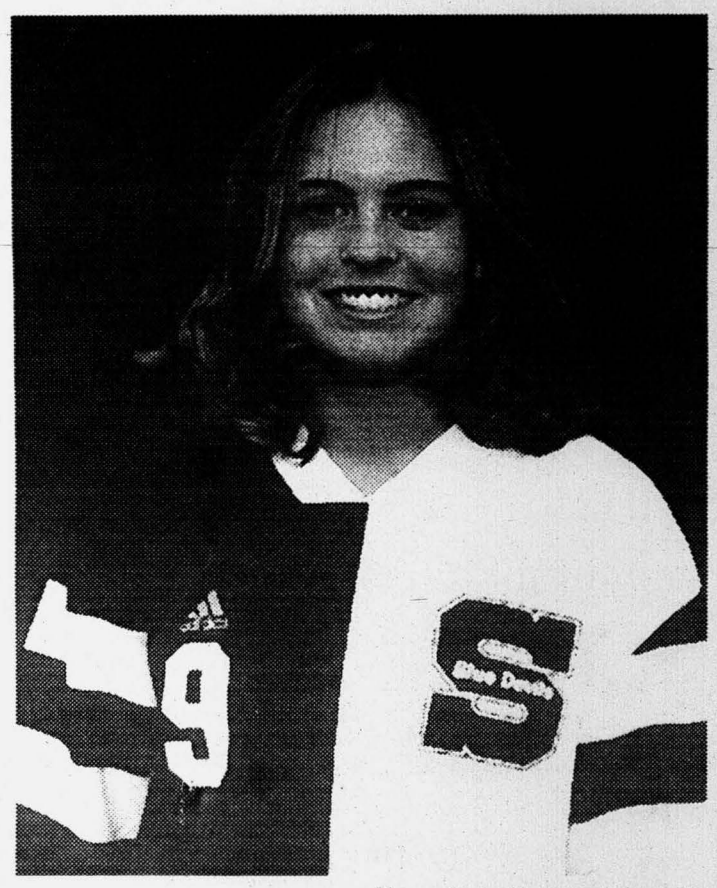


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Tricia Sykes, a freshman from Cloquet, MN, is named this week's WIAC Offensive Soccer Player of the Week. Sykes' debut in the first three games of the season included two goals and two assists. In fact, she has figured into all of Stout's scoring power so far this year. She is the first Blue Devil soccer player ever named to the WIAC Player of the Week.

Soccer Team sizzles and slumps to start season

Hamline University turned out to be an easy target for the Blue Devil defense but a set of road games in Northfield, MN put a dent in opening weekend

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

The Blue Devil Soccer Team has gone from winning four games in their inaugural 1995 season to evening their record to 9-9 last season. Now the Blue Devils seek to push their record even further and have the people to do it.

Senior midfielder Alyssa Halverson shattered just about every Blue Devil scoring record last season and returns to build on her achievements. Junior Jessica Unterweger is a speedy competitor in the front line, while Becca Carlson makes the switch this season from midfield to the front lines to add more power. Nikki Bezak started all 18 games in the goal and returns to assume her spot.

Sept. 1

The team kicked off their season with a win against Hamline University in St. Paul, MN. Freshman Tricia Sykes made an immediate impression on the team as she scored two goals and added an assist in the 3-0 victory over Hamline. She wasted no time when she took advantage of a scoring opportunity early in the game, getting an assist from Unterweger. Sykes assisted Shannon Camp seconds before the end of the first half when Camp found the net at the 44:55 mark. Sykes sizzled the net one more time late in the game taking a pass from sophomore Beth Bushman.

The Blue Devil defense was virtually flawless, allowing only four shots with junior Marnie Grass stopping all four attempts and getting her first complete game shutout since her freshman year.

Sept. 4

The Blue Devils ran into trouble in Northfield, MN as they took their first and second losses of the season. The team could manage only four shots and gave up 17 as they were downed by St. Olaf College on Friday.

The Ole's Jeanie Hopper broke a 0-0 deadlock five minutes into the second half when she took a rebounded shot for the only score of the game.

Stout goalkeeper Bezak, playing her first game after a preseason injury, recorded 11 saves.

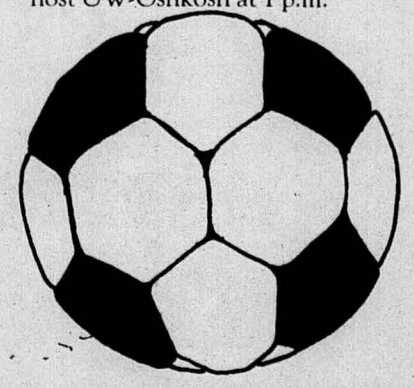
Sept. 5

Halverson scored her first goal of the season, but the Blue Devils could only hold the lead through the first half and were tumbled by Carleton College, 3-1. Halverson was assisted by Sykes.

The Carl's Margie Sollinger scored a hat trick in the second half to give the Carls all they would need to secure the win.

Carleton outshot Stout 22-3, and Blue Devil goalkeeper Bezak turned away 10 shots on goal.

The team opens their home schedule Friday, Sept. 11, when they host Lawrence University at 4 p.m. at the River Heights Field. Stout will open their conference schedule Sunday, Sept. 13, when they host UW-Oshkosh at 1 p.m.



Monson named as new women's tennis coach

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

He used to face off against UW-Stout on the tennis court. Now he will be the new coach on our side.

Craig Monson, a former UW-Eau Claire tennis standout, has been named the Blue Devil head women's coach. A native of Eau Claire, Monson joins the Blue Devils staff after a three year stay at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn., where he coached the men's program for three years and the women's program for one year.

In Monson's first year with the men's program, he directed the Scots to a fifth place finish in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament, Macalester's best finish in more than 25 years. His women's team accomplished the same feat.

"We are pleased to have someone on board with the experience and background Craig brings with him."

Steve Terry, Athletic Director

A graduate of Eau Claire Memorial, Monson was a three-time conference doubles champion, three-time sectional doubles champion and was ranked in the top ten of the state for three years. He was an assistant coach at Memorial for both the boy's and girl's programs from 1990-93 and has also been a teaching professional in Eau Claire, St. Paul, and Salt Lake City, Utah.

While at UW-Eau Claire, from 1989-92 Monson, 28, was an NAIA District 14 doubles champion. That same year, 1992, the Blugolds also won the District 14 title to advance to national competition. The Blugolds were also the Wisconsin State University Conference champions that year. Monson stayed at Eau Claire as an assistant coach in 1993-94, and the Blugolds repeated as District 14 champions in 1993.

Monson believes in working hard and will work right alongside his players. "I will be out there doing the work with them," he said. "When they do the drills, I will do the drills."

He also looks forward to much improvement from the team. "I would like us to move up at least one spot in the conference. We will work to become more aggressive and will also work on fundamentals."

Athletic Director Steve Terry welcomes Monson's leadership and competitive outlook to Stout's coaching staff. "We are pleased to have someone on board with the experience and background Craig brings with him. We anticipate Craig will continue to move the Blue Devil program forward."

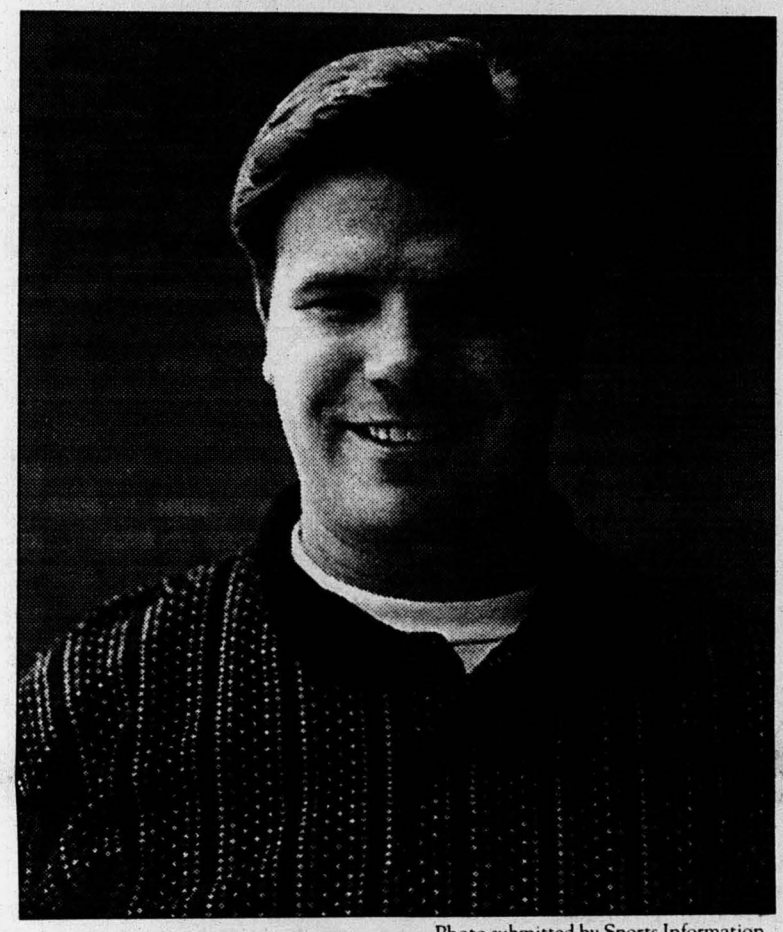


Photo submitted by Sports Information

Craig Monson joins the UW-Stout coaching staff after bringing the Eau Claire Women's Tennis Team to national competition. As a former standout player on the Blugold court, Monson admits that his secret to successful coaching is getting his players to work hard by doing the drills right along with them.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Volleyball

This could be the year for the Blue Devils Volleyball Squad. After losing only one senior from last year's much improved 17-14 season, the Blue Devils return with a solid group of heavy-hitters lead by seniors Stacy Stoddard and Monica Cyrus.

The two seniors both recorded eight kills as the Blue Devil Volleyball Team opened up their 1998 campaign with a sweep of St. Catherine's, Sept. 8 in St. Paul.

Both Stoddard and Cyrus were above a .300 hitting percentage. Tori Felt contributed six kills, a solo block, and three block assists. Setter Jenny Kraczek had 15 assists and 10 digs. Freshman Rachel Eidet had three block assists and two kills.

The Blue Devils return to action this weekend at the Augsburg Tournament this Friday and Saturday. Stout will open their home schedule Friday, Sept. 18, when they host UW-La Crosse at 7 p.m.

Women's Cross Country

Aug. 29

It simply doesn't get any closer than this. In the UW-Stout Women's Cross Country intrasquad meet, seniors Katy Olsen and Katie Jacobson came in a dead heat to take the two mile event at the Menomonie High School course. Jen Wucherer and Katie Kuffel finished in third and fourth, respectively.

Sept. 5

Jacobson and Olsen star again at the UW-River Falls Cross Country Open, placing third and fourth, respectively, and pushing the team to finish third overall.

Jen Wucherer finished 14th, Kuffel came in 27th, and Tanya Miller was 45th, all helping to bring Stout's total to 93 points. Macalaster won the event with 48 points, and St. Olaf finished second with 52.

Women's Cross Country comes home this Friday, Sept. 11, when they host the Blue Devil Invitational at the Menomonie High School course.

Men's Cross Country

Aug. 29

Josh Johnson paced the field in the UW-Stout Men's Cross Country intrasquad meet, clocking a time of 22 minutes, 11 seconds at the Menomonie High School course. Freshman Clint Latz came in second, and senior Todd Johnson was third in the four-mile event with times of 22:27 and 22:44

Sept. 5

With five runners in the top 12 spots and eight in the top 20, the team opened up their season by taking the top spot at the nine-team UW-River Falls Cross Country Open. Johnson led the Blue Devils with a third place finish, coming in with a time of 27:24. Latz finished sixth at 27:50. Sophomore Ethan Webinger came in eighth, Eric Hanson finished ninth, and Chris Stephens ended up in 12th place.

Stout will be back in action Friday, Sept. 11, at the Menomonie High School course for the Blue Devil Invitational.

Tennis

First year Coach Craig Monson will be faced with the challenge of rebuilding his team to start out the season. The Blue Devils lost three players to graduation, which adds up to nearly half of last year's group.

At the UW-La Crosse Women's Doubles Invitational on Saturday, UW-Stout's No. 1 doubles team of Lauren Mader and Ann Jackson were the only Blue Devil team to notch a win. Mader and Jackson needed three sets to down St. Norbert's Kristin Lindbloom and Carrie Zeman in the first round, but lost out to Sarah Stepnes and Jennie Movrich in the next round. Stout's pair then fell to Janice Zeitler and Brittany Moser of UW-Oshkosh in the third place match.

Stout is off until Wednesday, Sept. 16, when they travel to UW-River Falls for a non-conference match-up.



The Agenda

Upcoming Home Games

Friday, Sept. 11
Soccer vs. Lawrence University, 4 p.m.
Blue Devils Invitational Cross Country, 4:45 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12
Football vs. UM-Morris, 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 13
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Friday, Sept. 18
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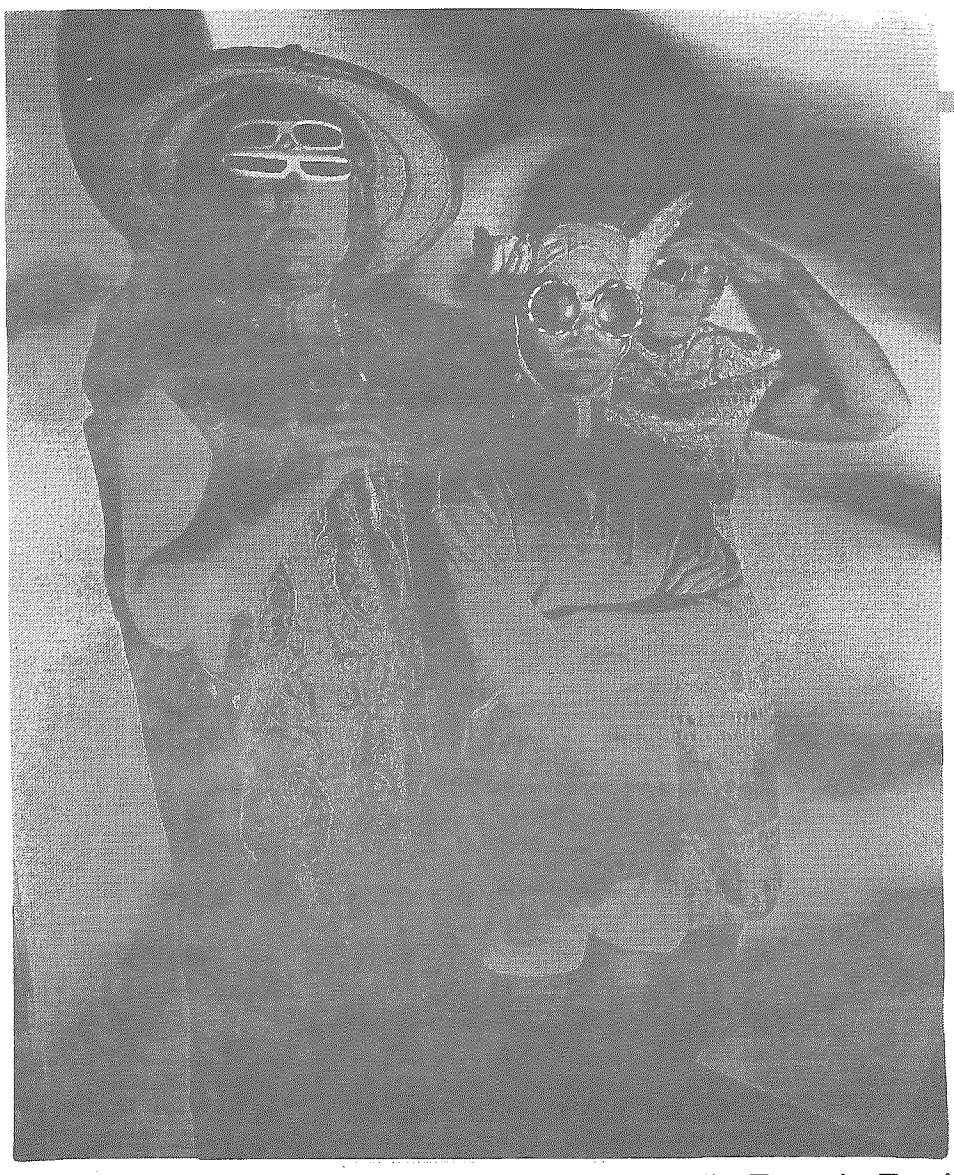


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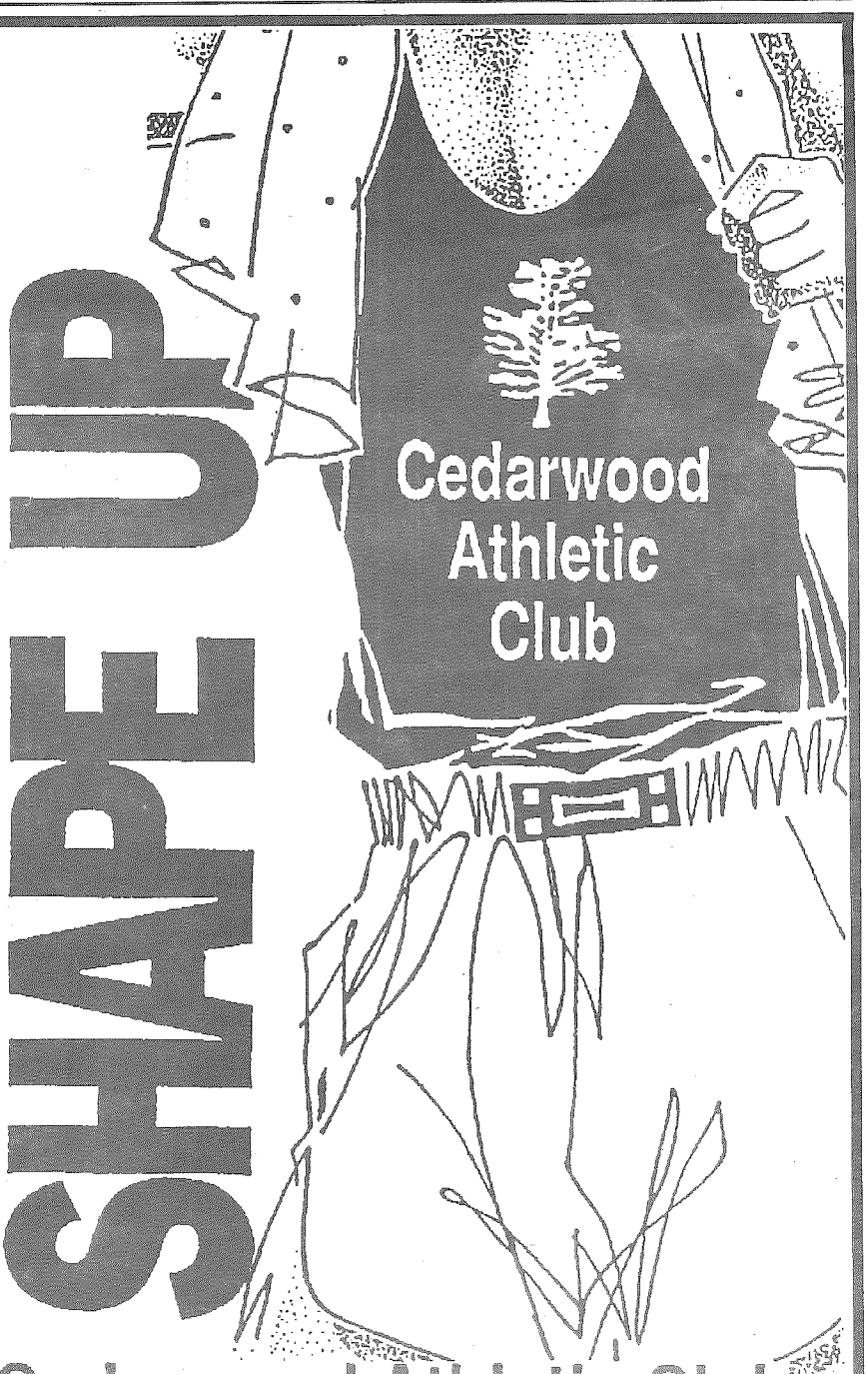
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Thirty cars vandalized near campus

■ Local men charged with criminal damage and theft in weekend events

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Several Menomonie residents along 6th Street awoke Saturday to find the tires of their cars slashed. Apparently 30 vehicles had at least one of their tires slashed in the early hours of the morning. So far 41 tires have been reported as vandalized.

Many vehicle owners spent the morning changing their own tires, others had to hire local towing companies and get their tires fixed at shops in the area. Steve Obradovich of Dennis' Auto Service said the tires on the cars he towed appeared to be punctured with something, perhaps a knife.

Two local men are now suspects in the car vandalism incidents. They had been picked up by police earlier that morning for questioning on unrelated crimes. Witnesses reported two suspicious males walking near 28th Ave. W. and Frykland Dr. around 4:36 a.m. that appeared to be carrying stolen items from a neighboring home. Officers soon found the men with a vehicle containing a large number of tools, stereo equipment, and other property, of which some had been stolen from a garage just south of where the men were first spotted.

Shawn M. Banks, 24 and Zachary P. Meyer, 22, both of the Menomonie area, were taken into custody and charged with felony possession of stolen property.

The men were soon after charged with being party to theft and criminal damage to property, according to Chief Dennis Beety of the Menomonie Police Department. The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected.



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Several shops in Menomonie were called to the 6th Street area to tow away several of the 30 cars that had received slashed tires early Saturday morning. After a tip-off from residents, police were led to the location of two men they believe to be responsible for the vandalism as well as other crimes in the area.

Guided tours explore oppression



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Guided tours ran through *Boxes and Walls* on both Monday and Tuesday this week, emphasizing the borders humans can surround themselves with. Over 160 people attended the museum, passing through rooms that brought to light the oppression of women, gay and lesbian groups, and hispanics, while pointing out the stereotypes of hate groups. The temporary museum set up in the Student Center was sponsored by Residence Life, with the help of faculty.

Stout named in popular news magazine review

Prestigious review of U.S. universities names Stout masters program

by Billy Thayer
Staff Reporter

In a recent *U.S. News & World Report* article concerning the best graduate schools in the country, Stout was praised for its rehabilitation counseling concentration in the master's degree of Vocational Rehabilitation.

In the report, Stout ranked well within top name schools such as Penn State and Boston University. Although Stout was up against large scale universities, it still ranked 11th overall among schools with similar programs.

Stout's "applied approach" has received high praise from many rehabilitation professionals. By taking a hands on, direct approach accessing and providing counseling for disabled people, the university believes students will benefit.

The magazine's high ranking of Stout came as no surprise to Shirley Stewart, chair of the department of rehabilitation and counseling. "People all around the country recognize our program," remarked Stewart, "and our reputation helps us get faculty, students, and funding".

Bob Peters, director of the graduate program in Vocational Rehabilitation, says he was attracted to Stout for its national reputation in the vocational rehabilitation area. "Students have also been wonderful ambassadors of our program," said Stewart.

Stout earns much of its new faces on campus from former students and just general "word of mouth." The Vocational Rehabilitation program depends on its well-kept reputation to provide funding for the future. Each year the U.S. Department of Education provides full tuition and expenses for 20 students in the graduate rehabilitation program.

Articles such as the one that appeared in *U.S. News & World Report* are no surprise to those in the vocational rehabilitation profession, but reassure current and future students that their achievements have and will continue to be recognized.

Anonymous gift to students

■ University Foundation receives donations totalling half a million; more assistance available to students

Submitted by UW-Stout News

Two scholarship gifts totaling $600,000 have been announced by University of Wisconsin-Stout officials.

Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen reported these gifts are anonymous and both are endowments. One gift is for Manufacturing Engineering honor students, while the other is available annually to any four UW-Stout students in need of financial assistance. The scholarships may be awarded up to four years to the same individuals, providing they maintain required grade point averages.

Sorensen commented on the "importance of a scholarship in the life of each student recipient. Scholarships not only provide financial assistance, but also honor the student with recognition by the donor and the institution."

Patricia Reisinger, assistant chancellor for university development, noted that 400 students were awarded annual scholarships totaling $375,000 during the Sept. 8 Scholarship Reception on campus. Scholarship money is administered by the Stout University Foundation Inc., the fund-raising arm of the University.

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Compiled by Nicole Heckmann from submitted news releases

University Security open house

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Tech Park Open House

The Stout Technology Park will be hosting an open house that will be held from 2:30-6 p.m. on Sept. 21. Events include ribbon cutting and tours at several facilities including Phillips Origen Powder Metal Molding, Auth Colson & Assoc., Aurora Community Svcs., and Brent Skinner Attorney at Law, among others. A reception will be held from 5-6 p.m. at the Dunn County Job Center. The public is invited.

GRE Workshop

For those interested in obtaining their GRE, a workshop will be held Saturday, Sept. 19 at 10 a.m. in Great Hall A. Guest speakers will talk about test taking strategies and test anxiety, and all attendees will have the chance to take a practice GRE. Sponsored by PSI CHI. Call Sara at 232-1772.

Theater auditions

David Ives' six one act plays, "All in the Timing" auditions will be held Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. in the Harvey Hall Theater. Performances are scheduled for Nov. 13-16. Contact Dr. James Miller at x-1304.

Comedy at Mabel Tainter

Kenny Ahern, silent comedy of a different kind, is appearing at the Mabel Tainter Theater of Menomonie on Sept. 26. Shows are at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and tickets are $12 for adults. Call 235-0001 for further details.

Great American Cookout

The 14th annual Campus Cookout will be held Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 4-7 p.m. The event offers food and entertainment from an acappela quartet and acoustic duo. It will be held at the South Campus Mall (outdoors between the Commons and HKMC).

Police Beat

Compiled by Stacy Potratz from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

VCR stolen from Applied Arts building

A VCR was reported stolen from room 130 in the Applied Arts building on Sept. 3. There were no signs of forced entry, however, the cable which secured the video player was cut. It is believed that the video player was taken in July or August. The property was recovered.

Disorderly conduct

A complaint was made on Sept. 3 regarding two students who were verbally abusing each other in parking lot #14. They eventually drove off and were stopped by an officer at River Road and Depot Hill. Both admitted fighting with each other and received disorderly conduct warnings and were released.

Parking lot accident

On Sept. 8 a student was exiting parking lot #18 when he came to the stop sign, he noticed a vacant parking spot in the lot. He backed up and hit a vehicle behind him, which was also leaving the lot.

Illegal parking accident

Two vehicles were parked illegally on Sept. 11 in a no parking area primarily used for unloading semi-trucks to Price Commons. As one driver attempted a 180 degree turn around to exit the area, he backed into the driver's side of the other vehicle. Damage was done to the left front fender of the vehicle which was hit. The other vehicle had scratches to the right rear bumper.

Folgers coffee missing

Between Aug. 27 and Aug. 31 one three pound container of Folgers coffee was stolen from room 221 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Center. This was not the first time items have been missing or removed. Only some faculty, night custodial staff, security, and police have access to this area.

Dry erase board stolen

A dry erase board and black marker was reported stolen from a residence hall room. The theft took place between 11:30 p.m. on Sept. 1 and 5 a.m. on Sept. 2.

News Briefs

Compiled by Billy Thayer

The president on tape

Washington - Members of the House Judiciary Committee are debating over whether to release a potentially embarrassing videotape of President Clinton's Grand Jury testimony. Republicans want to make the tape and other Grand Jury material public to back up prosecutor Ken Starr's report alleging 11 potential grounds for impeachment. Democrats oppose releasing the tape fearing that the evidence could be used in campaign ads leading up to November elections.

Flight 111 a mystery

Halifax, Nova Scotia - It's now been discovered that the cockpit voice recorder of Swissair Flight 111 stopped just six minutes before the jetliner crashed. On Sept. 2 the plane crashed into the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 229 people on board. The report on the recorder provides further evidence that the jetliner was experiencing problems prior to the crash. It also means investigators will never learn what the two pilots said to each other in the moments just prior to the crash.

Algerian massacre

Algiers, Algeria - The death toll in a massacre in an Algerian village has now risen to 37. A newspaper reports assailants used incendiary bombs, Kalashnikov rifles, and knives in the attack on the village. The assailants broke down doors and dragged their victims into the streets. The dead included a family of 13 and was the worst reported massacre in months in Algeria.

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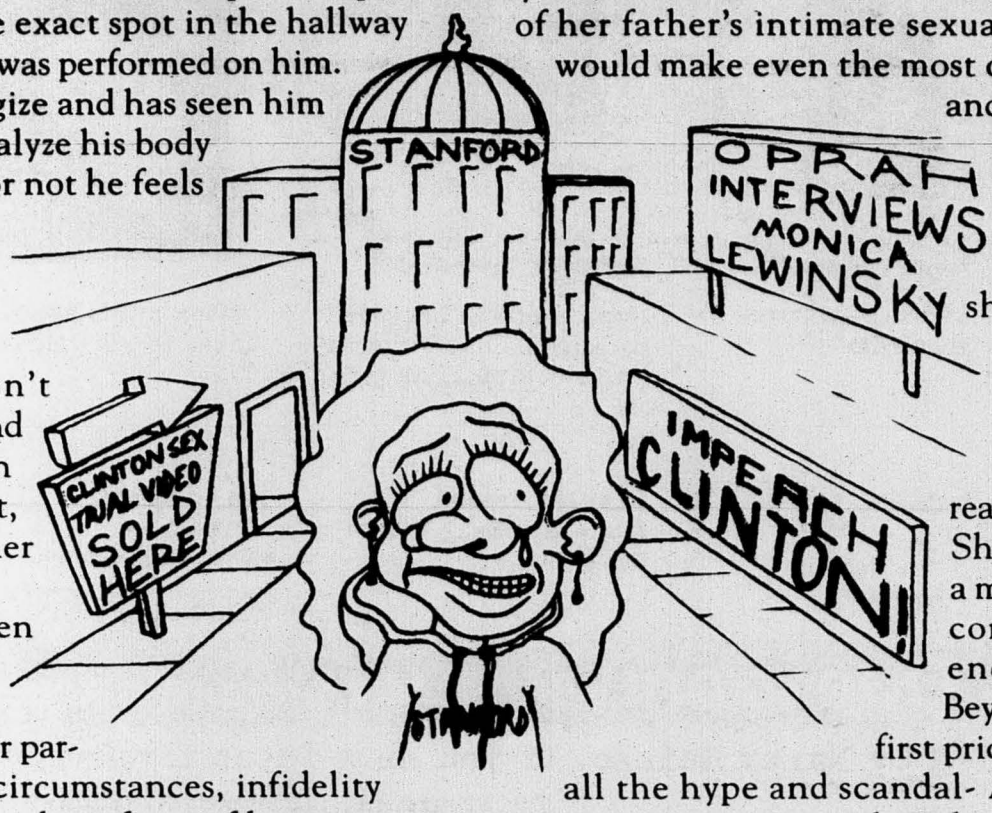
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Editorial

Nowhere to hide

The Clinton scandal has circulated throughout every business and family home. Public awareness encompasses aspects from his lying under oath to the exact spot in the hallway outside the Oval Office oral sex was performed on him. The nation has seen him apologize and has seen him on the verge of tears. People analyze his body language and wonder whether or not he feels remorse. Clinton is very emotionally demonstrative, yet his family remains blank. Americans don't know how the family feels, because they haven't expressed their views. Hillary and Chelsea must stand by their man and publically declare their trust, support, and forgiveness, whether it is realistic or not.



How must a daughter feel when her father is part of a spectacle so wide-spread, children are coming home from school asking their parents what oral sex is? In most circumstances, infidelity is an issue dealt within the closed confines of home, yet in this case, every detail is under the close scrutiny of all of society. There is nowhere for Chelsea to hide. She has to possibly deal with snickers from others; she must constantly hear of her father's intimate sexual practices, something that would make even the most open-minded daughter blush and turn the TV on to find her father's face staring back at her; she glances at the newspaper and the headline reads: Does Clinton feel remorse?; she surfs the web to see that Starr's full report is available for all.

How much can one family take? Chelsea must be a real stable person after all of this. She will probably end up being a marriage and family counselor, considering the many experiences of her still young life. Beyond the first family, Clinton's first priority is being ignored through all the hype and scandal- America. Where are all the issues our country once thought about? Gone. Replaced with only trashy novel headlines and worries over linguistic games.

Deadbeat dad dilemma

Deadbeat dads is a title that speaks for itself. These are human beings that are categorized as cop-out individuals that have very little regard for others. These fathers are willing to walk out of their children's lives forever, without even thinking twice. What men and fathers they are! What type of message are these deadbeats sending our society? Would that message be that it's okay to bail out on your children's lives? As much as I hate to say it, this is the message that is being sent, received, and carried out. So what is being done to make these deadbeat dads pay their child support?

Each state has taken different legal measures to make these deadbeat dads pay their children support. The most recent actions that are being implemented against these fathers include the loss of a driver's, business, or professional license. Is that a harsh enough punishment for those that left a child feeling unwanted? These are

Eddie Mullins
senior columnist

feelings that will be carried with them for their entire life.

There are always two sides of a problem. On the other hand, how many deadbeat dads are wrongly categorized? It is a known fact that many fathers have wrongly been categorized as deadbeat dads because they can't pay the amount set by the courts for child support. In some states child support is 40-50 percent of each payroll check. It's not that these fathers don't want to pay the child support, they just can't. The Coalition for Fathers reported, "Many fathers are treated unfairly by the courts when a reduction is trying to be made. This also leaves many of these fathers having to answer the question to the courts, why they can afford an attorney but are not able to pay child support." These are the fathers that are actually trying, but can't fight the system.

Many fathers believe that fighting the battle in court for a reduction in child support paid out is as an impossible mission. They have a right to fight the percentage paid out in child support. There has been a 60 percent reduction success rate in the United States.

The question that remains then is who is to blame for the deadbeat dads that do cop out on their children and child support? Do we blame our legal system or our societal views as a whole? I tend to lean toward the legal system that governs our country. Our legal system threatens, but for the most part never does anything about it. We are talkers, but not doers! Unbelievable!

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Letters

To the Editor of the Stoutonia:

I didn't make a secret of being a Viking fan. I have been for many years. Sure I took a LOT of kidding for it, but like a duck I let it slide off my back like water. I was upset when the FOX network took over the games a few years ago because channel 4 wouldn't be airing the games anymore, but channel 29 would. Ask anyone who has an antenna how easy it is to get FOX ... almost impossible! So you can understand my happiness when through a deep-fringe antenna, rotator, and series of amplifiers, I was once again able to watch my Vikings. Whether they won or lost didn't matter, I could watch them!

All that changed on Sunday morning, Sept. 13 when some gutless Packer fan was on my roof vandalizing my antenna. Not only did this son-of-a-dog Packer fan pull down the antenna wire, but also ripped the rotator wire in half and proceeded to destroy my short range antenna as well.

This was most devastating to me because I have been disabled for some time now. I can't climb a ladder to get to my roof, let alone to the damaged area to fix it. And because of the disability I can't work to pay someone to fix the damage. So here I sit thinking about all you filthy Packer fans out there having a good laugh at my expense.

Now you are mad at me for making you realize that not only are you all gutless wonders, but you can all be classified as typical Packer fans as well! Want an apology? One of you knows who did this vile deed. All I ask is that you turn in this creature to the Menomonie Police, I'll do the rest.

A Viking fan

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Campus Slant

Starr Report: witch hunt or justice?



"Witch hunt, because Kenneth Starr wants Hillary baaaad!!"

Kelly Gallman
Sophomore
Business



"I don't even want to talk about it."

Amy Goettl
Senior
Business



"Somewhere in-between because he has a conservative political agenda."

Charles Greene
Assistant Hall Director
HKMC



"Witch hunt, because he likes to see himself on TV"

Ryan Wolff
Junior
Gen. Business



"Out for justice, because if the president lied to us about other foriegn affairs it could cause a lot of problems."

Sarah King
Junior
Fam. Consumer Ed.

Next Week's Question: Why is Lake Menomin green?

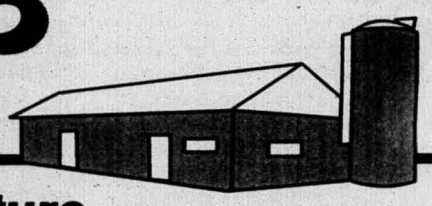
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Residents confront property damages

by Emily Kores
Staff Reporter

The school year was started off with an ugly incident of vandalism, potentially by students. In early September, a number of small trees were knocked over and their tops ripped off.

According to a report filed with the Menomonie Police Department on Sept. 9, "Five male subjects were observed walking east on the 400 block of 12th Avenue, breaking trees and bending them over. The witness observed the suspects as being intoxicated...three trees were broken off."

In addition to the 12th Avenue incident, the Menomonie Police Department reported two trees down in front of Our Saviour Church on 9th Street. The perpetrators are suspected to be students, although further evidence has not yet been disclosed.

The trees were planted three years ago in a collaboration between NSP and the city of Menomonie. The newly planted trees were part of an effort to replace the previously removed trees, the majority of which were Dutch Elm. Many were not only diseased, but were threatening power lines with their height. The current replacement trees are all slightly dwarfed species and will not interfere with the power lines.

During the first year that the trees were planted, similar vandalism to the young trees occurred.

> "I hope that this really made an impression on the students, because they did it to their own neighborhood."
>
> David Holmstrom, Ward Alderman

The city and the residents replaced and nursed the trees back to health. The damage was practically unnoticeable in a matter of days. This time the young trees stand bare and abused-a reminder to the neighborhood's residents, both families and students. Ward Alderman David Holmstrom said, "I hope that this really made an impression on the students, because they did it to their own neighborhood."

New families in the neighborhood were also affected by the events. Resident Michell Saifullah, who moved to the area one year ago said, "They didn't damage our trees, but did throw oranges at our house." She added, "We had no trouble last fall, but this kind of thing makes us think...I mean, we have small children."

A university cannot function apart from the community it is located in, and this kind of reckless vandalism can only contribute to a negative image of students. Alderman Holmstrom said, " It's a reflection on the student body, and you don't need that kind of P.R..."

The vandalism will not only corrode the student image, but also the core sense of community. Nowhere is this evidenced more than in the families on the block that had been watering and taking care of the trees for the past three years.

Anyone with information should contact the Menomonie Police Department.



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Broken down and beaten, these once rejuvenated trees now hang lifeless. Local residents must now take additional measures to help trees live.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day will be appearing periodically. Chloe depicts the life of a typical college student. Addressed within this column are the humorous accounts of a real college student's life. This week Chloe goes batty as she tries to banish unwanted roommates. It seems as though unwanted and pesty, these two invite themselves in and make themselves at home. Now Chloe, with the help of her roommate and friend, must take desperate measures to relieve themselves of the situation.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

Millions of instructor's words have gone through the ears of students these past two weeks, whether they grasp any information is still questionable. Seniors are striving for finality, while freshmen are groping for sanity. I think I personally fall into both categories. I joined the race to the finish, taking the fastest route possible. The challenge is, how fast can I go without keeling over?

Many fellow students seem to be stressing out more this year than ever. As I travel from class to class, I encounter anything from looks of terror to emotional breakdowns. I think being overwhelmed is just a given in my life. Sometimes I want to jump into a cartoon and live forever in a fantasy world. Then again, I think being pushed from a cliff time after time can give one a headache.

On a lighter note, I have a new pet; there are two of them actually. It seems a bat husband and wife have taken up residence in my home. (And I thought four roommates were bad). While I'm still trying to get them to pay rent, they just made themselves at home. They are the laziest roommates I have ever had. First off, they sleep all day. Then there is the obvious hanging from doorways and ledges; I mean get your own room! And of course there's the fact that they like to greet me when I walk in the door at night by swooping down repeatedly, coming inches from my head. I think that just denies common courtesy. Like, I lived here first. Who pays the cable bill and the phone bill; who puts a roof over your head? R-e-s-p-e-c-t; it ain't just part of a song.

Don't get me wrong, we tried to kick them out, they just would not leave. To tell you the honest truth, I'm kind-of scared of them. They carry tons of diseases and probably flees too. So, my roommate, my friend, and I devised a plan. We were going to go for their one weakness...daytime. Huddled in a circle, we discussed the game plan. Everyone had a position. I volunteered to lead the group upstairs where one was hanging across the hallway from the bedroom. My weapon, a broom. Following me was my friend with a flashlight in her hand (we had hoped to paralyze it into submission). Backing her was my roommate with a bucket of water in her hand. Our plan was to put the bucket directly under the bat, shine the flashlight on it, and knock it in the water with the broom. I had heard that bats can't fly after they are in water.



The bucket was in place. All three of us were peering out from the crack of my bedroom door (we were using the door for protection, just in case it decided to attack). The only problem was that the broom wouldn't reach from behind the door. I had to venture into danger, leaving myself totally vulnerable and open. I swish the broom once, nothing happened. Again I try and quickly run to safety, still there. I try negotiating, nothing. Not only does the bat have an attitude, it's stubborn too. On my last attempt, I decide to open the door to the outside balcony and use the broom to direct it out. Swish, the broom made contact, and I ran into my room. I slowly stick my head out the door. "It's gone," I yell.

That night we decided we had to go out to the bars to celebrate. I mean it's not every day you kick batty roommates out of your house. My roommate and I walk into our house around bar-time and two dark objects came swooshing down towards our heads. Like uninvited and unwelcome guests, they just don't leave.

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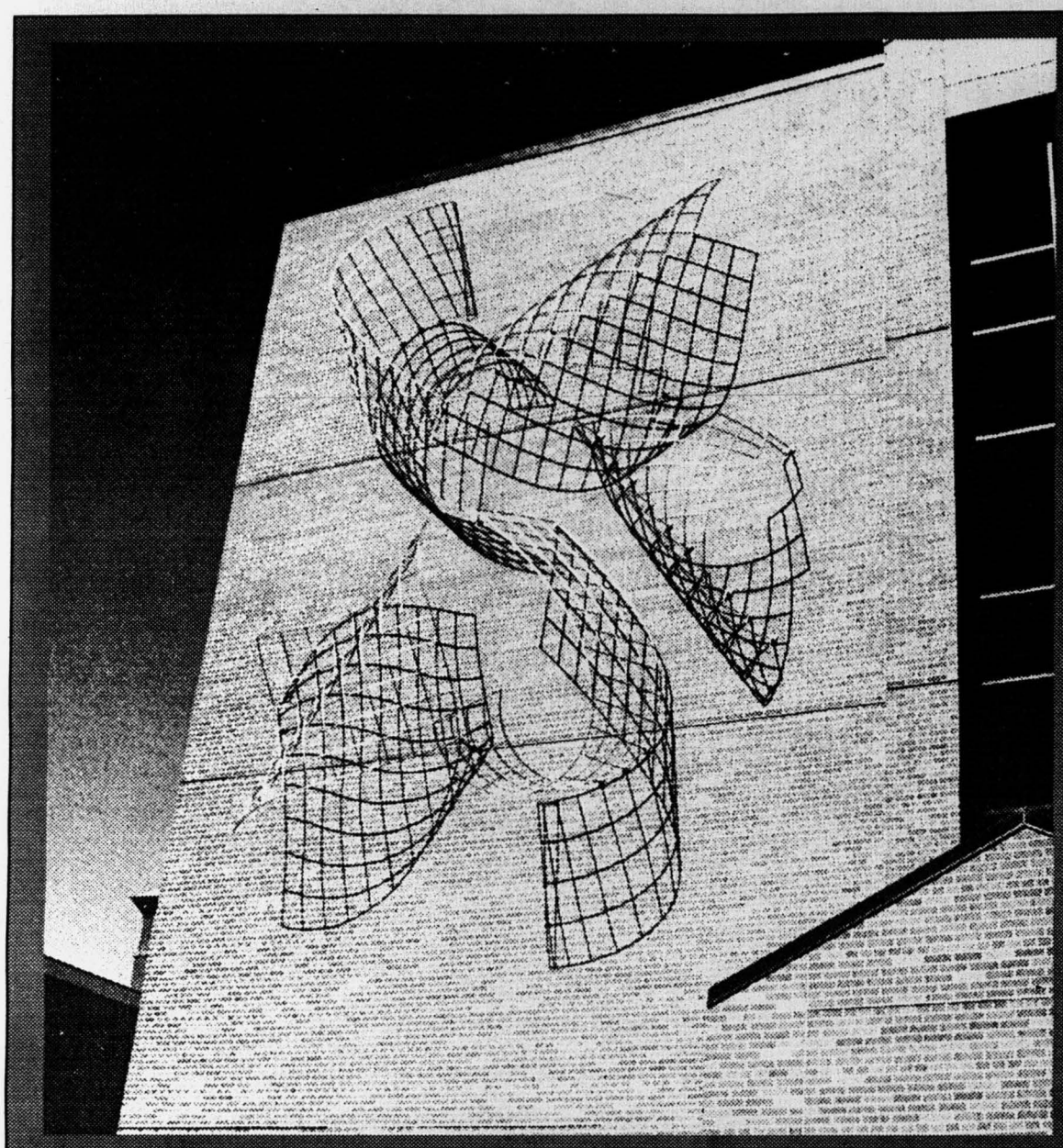


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An observation on campus:

Her firm, friendly handshake and pleasant confident attitude immediately embrace a certain likability for this expressive artisan. You can witness these same characteristics in the beauty of her stainless sculpture in form on the southern wall of Fryklund Hall. Each small section, 11 inches squared on center, flow continuously throughout the ever changing spiraled concept. Titled "WYSIWYG", its intent is your own on any level: strong, resilient, clear, flexible, changing, and yet brightly consistent at the same time. Paraphrasing "Anne", she was concerned that each person seeing the sculpture would come to grasp their own meaning with their interpretation of that particular moment and possibly an ever-changing experience. Hence "what you see is what you get" or WYSIWYG from computer design terms. Thank you Anne Allardyce for bringing an idea to an expression and to each person who helped her bring it to a lasting physical presence.
-Anonymous

Workshop will provide experience for GRE

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Four years of undergraduate school can be quite life consuming to the average student. Classes at eight in the morning, note-taking, assignments, and tests compile only a fraction of the pie that makes up college life. By the time students ascend to the senior level (credit-wise or years, whichever comes first), many feel so burnt out, it seems impossible to even think about graduate school. However, like the morning school bus, it won't wait for the students to get themselves out of bed.

Preparation is an absolute necessity when deciding on a graduate school. First, one has to seek a field of interest. Then, of course, there is research to accumulate on perspective schools, requests for information to be sent from these schools, letters of recommendation to be written, applications to be sent (along with the large chunk of money they require), and last but not least, the Graduate Record Examination, commonly known as the GRE. By just observing how much preparation material is available for students to study, one should recognize the level of difficulty.

Now there is yet another way to prepare for the dreaded deed. On Saturday, Sept. 19 at 10:00 a.m., Psi Chi (National Honor Society in psychology) will be sponsoring the first GRE workshop offered at UW-Stout, in the Great Hall A. In addition to a psydo-exam, guest speakers Dr. Don Baughman and Dr. Mary Flynn will also provide useful information on test anxiety and test taking strategies. Sara Rasque, president of Psi Chi and initiator of this workshop said, "These subjects could benefit all students, even those not taking the GRE."

Free to all who are interested, the speakers begin the day with the practice exam to follow. The environment is set as close as possible to what will be encountered when taking the GRE; desks will be aligned and instructions will be read along with precise times allotted for each section of the test. This enables graduate school hopefuls to get practice and a feel for what they will soon confront. "Students will have more of a understanding of what the GRE entails, and hopefully this workshop will take away the anxiety of the actual experience," Rasque said with enthusiasm.

This semester's GRE is scheduled for Nov. 7. Booklets containing information about application and location of the test can be picked up in Counseling Services. Due date for submission is Oct. 2. This is the date the application and cost of the exam must be received. Participantsshould allow 7-10 days for delivery.

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Renaissance honored with festival

Ahh, the Renaissance! A period in time that celebrated life itself and marked the end of the Catholic-sparked Dark Ages. World exploration and the exponential knowledge growth got their roots in this era. It is also the obvious focus of the annual Minnesota Renaissance Festival, running weekends through the 26 and 27 of Sept., located south of Chaska, Minnesota.

A Review
Corey Klein

A variety of events await you, as you stride through the gates of the illustrious compound. Among the temptations from the Renaissance re-created here are games which could be found at any carnival, crafts and creations unique to the time period, and food from both yesterday and today. All wares and goods are distributed and advertised by rustic clothed actors, all attempting to curry your favor.

Among the larger draws to the celebration are comedians Puke and Snot, who cater to the modern crowd with raunchy sexual innuendoes and Monty Python-ish bluntness. The duo has stood the test of time, as their act has been a mainstay with a history as colorful as the outdoor gathering itself. A disappointment to the act is the fact that the duo now performs for the crowd in two different acts, dividing their original stylings into two skits. This means the audience members must come to the theatre in two separate sittings to see all of the comedy act, a disappointment from earlier years.

Always a huge draw to the festival is the live jousting competitions, which receive rallying cheers and boos from the awed crowd. Street characters act as cheerleaders, leading their sides to root for their armored horsemen. Expect the unexpected, as the warriors have been known to dismount their steeds in favor of a hand-to-hand, street-style boxing match.

In medieval style marketplaces, it seems anything can be purchased. Artisans distribute to the waiting public leather goods of all types, glassware ranging from flasks to jars, all manners of clothing, and drawings of varying skills and styles. Among the most prized and sought after saleable goods, however, is the food. Most prized among the food category are cream puffs, turkey legs, lemonade, and the delicacy of them all: pickle on a stick.

Entertainment of all types can be seen and even participated in. At Vegetable Justice, festival goers can try their hand at hitting a street character with tomatoes. Believe me when I say a direct hit will have the crowd going wild, as your target holds nothing sacred, picking on every detail of your demeanor. This character is easily the funniest and most entertaining at the festival. Fencing can be participated in, as you go at each other in the ancient combat of chivalry. Another contest where you can battle your friends is King of the Log. This fearsome battle pits you and your opponent on a log, attempting to knock your opponent off with a knight's greatest weapon: a pillow.

Other attractions include elephant and camel rides, chess matches, paper and glass making demonstrations, and Three Guys Named Ed, an act that traveled from far away Minnetonka to wow the crowd with a flaming juggling act.

There are a few downsides to the Renaissance Festival. As a nice change of pace, the fair does nicely, but one should be warned of the perils of going for repeat years. After a few trips to the annual carnival, the situation becomes repetitive. Puke and Snot, a huge draw, have now divided their comedy in two skits, as stated earlier. This is a downer for newcomers, and repeat visitors alike. Something also could be made of the pitiful capitalistic regime of some of the acts, as they beg for tips after any performance.

The Renaissance Festival runs up to Sept. 27 this year on weekends and Labor Day, in a field south of Chaska, Minnesota, not too far of a drive. Tickets are available at the door for $15 and should be a great time during the cooler temperatures of fall. Overall, I bequeath upon the annual Renaissance Festival, a B+. An entertaining time, but brought down by its expense.



Photo courtesy of Minnesota Renaissance Festival

"Presenting the Flags" is the inspiration for this year's ticket artwork, latest in a long line of traditional images used on the admission piece. This symbolic maneuver is the act of displaying a knight's colors and emblem before they do battle in the joust. Jousting can be seen on any day, as the festival runs through Sept. 27.

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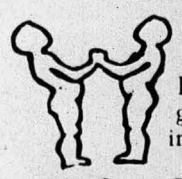




Aries (March 21 - April 19) You will be hit in the head by a carton of milk this week, which will not strike you as being the least bit funny. Later, of course, you'll have a good laugh about it and realize how funny the situation really was.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) This is the time to make sure you are noticed by your professors. Start off the semester by giving them a good impression of your studious self. Answer every question in a clear, concise manner at the top of your voice... THE ANSWER IS GUATEMALA...SIR...YES, SIR...



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) It's a good day to go around "nudging" people.



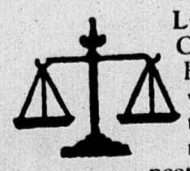
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Someone will ask you for the millionth time how your summer went. You'll know this person is in a hurry. Go into the full details of every day, including what you ate at every meal and how often you went to the bathroom, etc.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You will have a little too much punch at a party this week and will amuse the guests by stripping naked.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Nothing unusual today. Just the same old thing. Unless you count the incident with the hedgehog.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Have fun with your roommate today. Put your mattress underneath your bed. Sleep down there and pile dirty clothes on the empty bed frame. If your roommate comments, mutter, "Gotta save space," 20 times while twitching violently.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) While walking to class with a friend, they will suddenly trip over a crack in the cement and fall down. Play it safe. Don't move the victim. Quickly fence off their body with CAUTION tape so no one else enters the perimeter. It is now safe for you to continue on to class while the ambulance picks them up.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Beware of those "purple thingys" today.



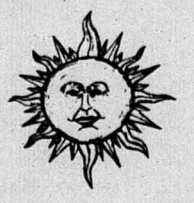
Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Your professor might ask a few difficult questions from you this week. If you don't know the answer, simply respond with another question, in Jeopardy form. That will distract him for a little while...or he'll think you don't know what the hell you're talking about.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Bad choice of underwear today. It's going to be wedged up there all day long. Too bad.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Always keep in mind: one tiddles one's winks, not vice versa. Winking one's tiddles would be crude and is illegal in some states.



"South Park" invades Stout

by Corey Klein
Entertainment Editor

Over a year after its inception, UW-Stout students will finally be able to witness what is the most popular show among college-aged students. That's right, the Trey Parker and Matt Stone brainchild known nationwide as "South Park" will finally be available in the Menomonie area. Details are rather sketchy and revolve around the neighborhood students live in, but prior to Oct. 30, the words "cheesy poof" will be commonly heard around campus.

The opportunity for Marcus Cable to carry the Comedy Central channel revolves around the area upgrade to a fiber optic system. According to Barbara Norris of Marcus Cable this will enable the company to add the channels Flix, ESPN2, The Country Music Channel, Court TV, SCI-FI, Cartoon Network, and the infamous Comedy Central. Advertised as The Showcase Package, the feature will also enable viewers access to Marcus Cable Home Theater, a pay-per-view channel showcasing movies for in-home viewing.

The channels will not come free of charge, however, due to the fact that an in-home box scrambler must be used in conjunction with the system. The package itself will run Stout students a monthly charge of $2.99, with a box monthly rental of $2.70, and remote rental of $0.36 a month. There will be no charge for installation, and the first month of use will also be free.

Some neighborhoods of the city are already functioning on the fiber optic system and have the package already available to them. Other areas, called "nodes," are still being worked on, and as aforementioned, all will be up and in working order before Oct. 30.

Those living in the residence halls may have a different timeline to abide by. Negotiations are going on between school officials and Tim Normand who represents Marcus Cable. Both sides hope that a conclusion can be reached soon, and the package will be available before the ground is covered with snow.

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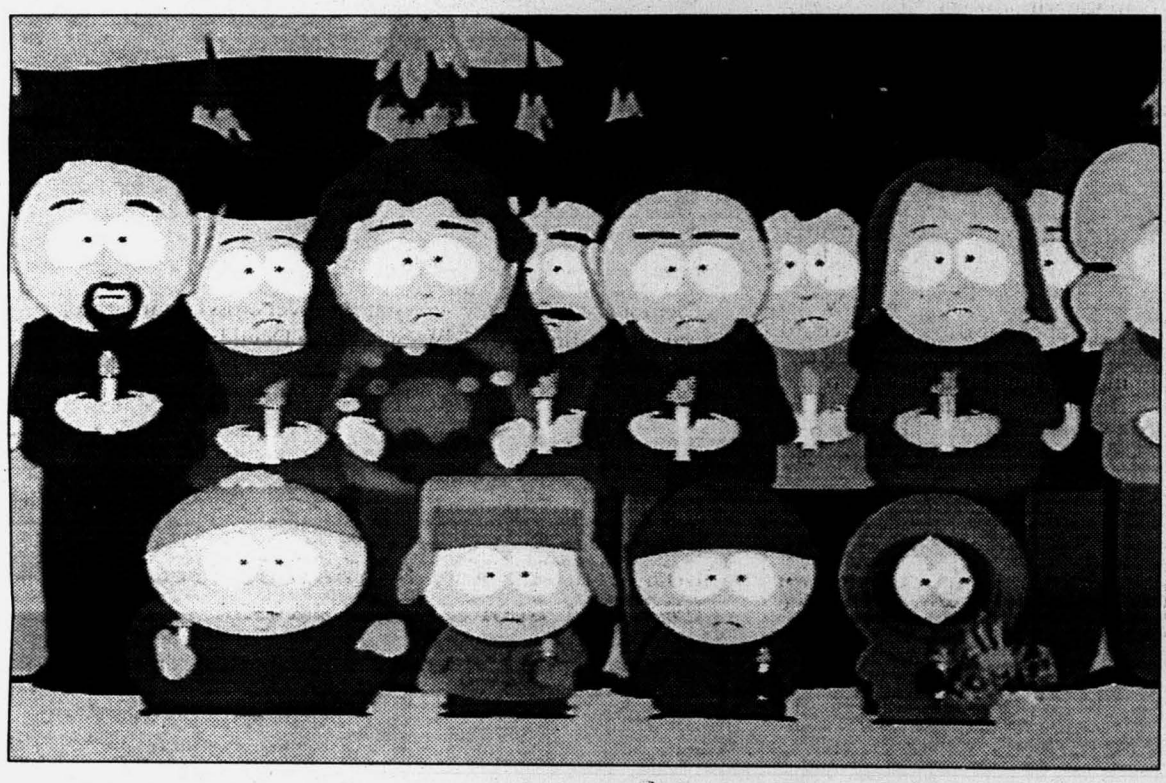


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The fearsome "South Park" foursome is due to hit UW-Stout students' televisions before October closes out. Pictured above in the front row (from left to right) are Cartman, Kyle, Stan, and Kenny. Here the citizens of South Park sing a spirited holiday song, after uncovering how cultural differences must be ignored to gain unity.

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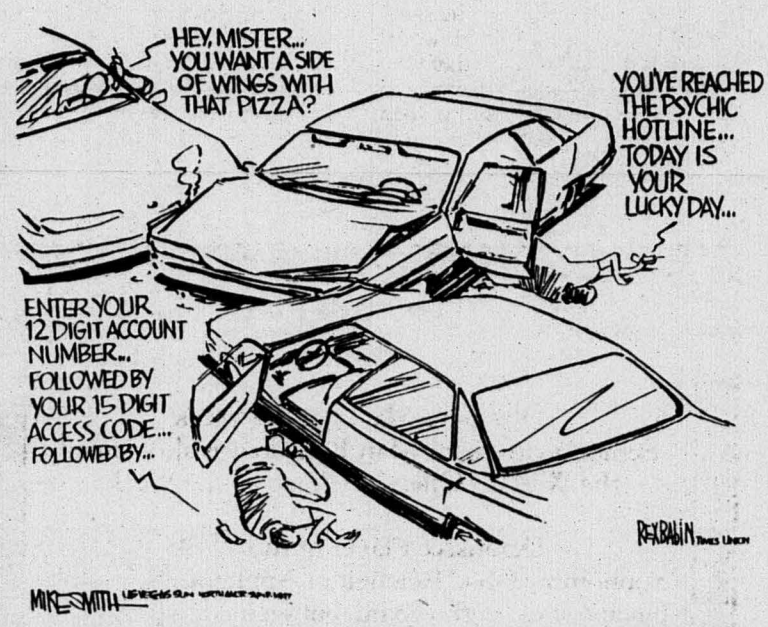
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Blue Devils blow out UM-Morris

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Iformation

After suffering through a beating from South Dakota State on opening day of their season, the Blue Devils were determined to prove that first impressions don't weigh too heavily in football. Using their first loss to prepare them for the Sept. 12 game, the team pounced on the University of Minnesota-Morris Cougars and feasted on the 50-12 victory in their first game back at Nelson Field.

As the score indicates, the game eventually turned into a blowout. However, it didn't start off that way.

On Stout's first two drives, the Blue Devils moved to well within the red zone, but both times came up empty. Morris actually scored first, taking advantage of a poor punt to drive 38 yards in eight plays midway through the first quarter.

Stout answered back, scoring twice within three minutes of the second quarter to take a 14-6 lead into the locker room.

The Cougars did a little of their own answering back, finishing off a 14 play, 55-yard drive with a 10-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Monti Ossenfort to Damien Hoffman at 10:03 in the third quarter. This capitalized on a Stout fumble on their first play from scrimmage in the half.

It was all Blue Devils from there, as Stout scored 36 unanswered points, including a safety when the ball was snapped over the punter's head.

The Blue Devils dominated the game, both on the field and on the stats sheet, outgaining the Cougars on 587 total yards to 164. Stout finished with 318 yards passing and 269 yards rushing, while the Cougars managed only 62 yards on the ground and 102 in the air.

Stout had one of their best games on the ground in a long time, with Shawn Lund leading the attack with a career-best 132 yards on 19 carries. Freshman Mark Bergman had 53 yards on four carries. Another freshman, Ross Moline, tallied up five rushes for 48 yards and ran in the final touchdown of the game, a 20-yard scamper.

UW-Stout quarterback Matt Bunyan made several contributions to the win, throwing for a school record six touchdowns to lead the Blue Devils. This record adds on to an already extensive list of Bunyan's career achievements, including a second place spot on Stout's all-time passing list and the school record for most passing yardage in a single season.

Bunyan connected three times for scoring strikes to receiver Jesse Diaz, who finished the night with 10 catches for 211 yards, only two yards short of the school record for most yards gained on pass receiving in a single game. Bunyan and Diaz hooked up for scores of 48, 43, and 35 yards. In his two previous years, Diaz had never caught a touchdown pass.

Bunyan went on to finish the night with 318 yards passing, connecting on 17-of-27 attempts. Bunyan also threw touchdown passes to Jesse Witcraft for five yards, to Ryan Patt for six yards, and to Lund for 16 yards. Last year Bunyan threw for five touchdowns on four different occasions in a single game. Bunyan currently has 55 career touchdowns, just four short of the school record of 59 held by Tim Peterson.

Catch Bunyan and the Blue Devils this Saturday, Sept. 19 at 7 p.m. when they take on NAIA Division II St. Ambrose University for Family Day at Nelson Field.

Blue Devil Football Players of the Week

Offensive Player of the Week
Senior quarterback Matt Bunyan was also named the WIAC's Offensive Player of the Week.

Defensive Player of the Week
Sophomore Chad Reicheit of Appleton, WI didn't put any stats on the board, but seemed to pop up all over the field.

Offensive Lineman of the Week
Freshman Andy Mutch of Bloomington, MN.

Defensive Lineman of the Week
Senior Bill Berg of Washburn, WI had a game including four solo tackles, three assisted tackles, and one sack.

WIAC Cross Country Runner of the Week



Photo submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Senior Katie Jacobson won her first ever cross country race, coming in first at the UW-Stout Blue Devil Invitational with a time of 19:03.1, edging out teammate and two-time defending individual champion Katy Olsen by only 2.2 seconds.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Cross Country

The UW-Stout Team took the crown at their own Blue Devil Invitational Friday, Sept. 11 at the Menomonie High School cross country course.

Katie Jacobson edged out teammate Katy Olsen to take the individual crown. Stout's Jen Wucherer finished fifth, with a time of 19 minutes, 32 seconds.

The Blue Devils are back in action next weekend when they travel to the St. Olaf Invitational, Saturday, Sept. 19.

Men's Cross Country

UW-Stout's Josh Johnson placed seventh to lead the Blue Devils to a fourth place finish at the Blue Devil Invitational Friday, Sept. 11 at the Menomonie High School cross country course.

Johnson ran a 27:15.1, while Ethan Webinger and Clint Latz finished 14th and 15th, respectively.

The Blue Devils return to action in two weeks when the junior varsity goes to Carleton College, Friday, Sept. 25, and the varsity goes to the University of Minnesota, Saturday, Sept. 26.

Volleyball

The UW-Stout Volleyball Team played four consecutive hours of volleyball Saturday, Sept. 12 and split their final two games of the Augsburg Tournament.

After splitting Friday by falling to host Augsburg and downing Macalester, the Blue Devils were defeated Saturday by UW-Eau Claire. The team then came back and needed five games to beat Macalester.

Throughout the tournament, Tori Feit earned 35 kills, and Stacy Stoddard added 31. Jenny Kraczek contributed 60 assists.

The Blue Devils return to action this weekend when they host UW-La Crosse at 7 p.m. on Friday and UW-Platteville at noon on Saturday.

Women's Soccer

Sept. 11

Lawrence University's Megan Teiman scored the only goal of the game during overtime to hand the UW-Stout Soccer Team a 1-0 loss at the River Heights Field.

Stout's Nikki Bezak had five saves, while the Vikings' Kim Geiser stopped all 11 of Stout's shots.

Sept. 12

The team came off a three game losing streak to blank UW-Oshkosh, 4-0, in the Blue Devils' conference opener at the River Heights Field.

Shannon Camp took the shot in the first half of the game with an assist from Alyssa Halverson.

In the second half, Stout racked up three more goals. Tricia Sykes scored off a pass from Becky Howard. Oshkosh also scored a goal off a shot by Jessica Unterweger. Halverson added the final goal, with the assist going to Howard.

Sept. 15

UW-Stout defeated Mt. Senario, 4-0, outshooting them 45-5.

The first goal came from Shannon Camp and was enabled by an assist from Alyssa Halverson. Halverson recorded another assist when she sent the ball to Becky Howard for the second goal of the half.

Halverson opened the second half with a goal of her own, assisted by Heather Pihi. Stout finished the game with one more goal from Becca Carlson, with the assist coming from Howard.

The shutout was Stout's second consecutive shutout win, with thanks to Nikki Bezak and Noel Green in the net.

The Blue Devils take on UW-Whitewater this Saturday, Sept. 19 at 1 p.m. for Family Day at Stout. Sunday, Sept. 20 they will hit the road to take on UW-Stevens Point.

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Intramural season gets underway

From sand volleyball to ice hockey, University Recreation spans all interests and all seasons

by Amy Schneider,
Sports Editor

Attention couch potatoes - no more excuses. Get out of the room and tuck the crimson-colored wardrobe away for the season. Okay, so not everyone made the team this year; maybe players' eligibility runs out after six years at Stout. Now is not the time to sink into the Lay-Z-Boy and sulk while reliving high school glory days via ESPN and "Sports Center." A new season of intramural recreation is here.

This year there are some new activities going on at Johnson Fieldhouse that just might be enough to convince students to visit every once and a while. Golf leagues are already in full swing. Men's, women's, and co-recreation soccer leagues were scheduled to start play this week, but because of lack of enrollment, were forced to cancel.

Returning to the line-up are the sand volleyball four on four tournament and flag football leagues. Starting in October, look forward to a racquetball tournament, including beginner, intermediate, and advanced divisions and men's and women's floor hockey. League sign-up and captains meetings for six-person men's, women's, and co-rec volleyball will be on Oct. 20 with play commencing the week of Oct. 25. If interested in basketball, make a break-away for the Oct. 21 league sign-up date for men's, women's, and co-rec teams. Basketball play also hits the court the week of Oct. 25. When Old Man Winter rolls into town, be ready to lace up the skates for men's and women's ice hockey, starting Dec. 10.

Spring leagues start immediately after the Winter Break and tentatively will include the Schick 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, six-person and four on four volleyball leagues, indoor soccer, and men's, women's, and co-rec leagues in basketball, softball, and flag football.

There is an abundant amount of activities available on campus and here are some general tips on how to get into the action. All UW-Stout students with valid student IDs, any faculty, staff, and spouses are invited to participate in intramural activities. Varsity athletes are also welcome to participate as long as they have been out of season play for at least one semester. Sign-up dates are one day sessions from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and include a mandatory captains meeting that evening. Any team or individual registering late will be placed on a waiting list. Rosters for sign-up are available at Johnson Fieldhouse and the Memorial Student Center. Registration fees do apply for all events and range from $10 to $20 per team or around $5 for individual competition activities such as golf and racquetball.

Holly McCormick, Stout's intramural coordinator, promotes intramurals as a great stress reliever. When classes and work pile up, intramural activities act as a positive outlet. "It is a positive way to meet many new people," she adds. In fact, 58 percent of Stout's student population participated in intramural sports last year.

Whether an avid beach bum looking to put in a little time on the sand volleyball courts or a new freshman eager to try out the latest slam dunk on a few new friends, stop in to room 247 in Johnson Fieldhouse for more information on when and how to get on an intramurals roster.

Making history: McGwire and Sosa

Saviors come at the unlikeliest of times. Just when the doors of human interest and fan appreciation were beginning to slam shut on Major League Baseball and in an era of inflated salaries and a player's adornment of three tons of gold chains that have no hope of keeping his ego on the ground, two simple men plotted out on a quest for the elusive home run record. One hits for the love of his son, the other in honor of his mother. When has baseball ever seen a player since the 1940s who puts family values ahead of a salary dispute? I don't think I'm alone in saying, thanks Mark and Sammy. Thanks for putting the meaning back into America's Game.

McGwire's ride has been anything but a breeze, although he has been putting himself ahead of others since he was a pup. As a kid, his parents were getting him ready for church on Sunday morning when they couldn't find his shoes. He had given them to his friend, on the sole justification that the friend said he needed them. His athletic ability grew as the years wore on: he started playing baseball, then had to quit his sophomore year because he contracted mononucleosis. He went on to play the following year and graduated from high school.

Justin Thompson
sports columnist

The University of Southern California gave him an offer, and he continued his baseball apprenticeship there. In 1984, he was drafted by the Oakland A's and sent to the Class A Modesto, one of their farm teams. In 1985, he came close to putting baseball on hold again, feeling that he had lost his eye for the pitch. He kept with it and was brought up to the majors for the 1987 season. He entered the league on a tear, batting .289 and hitting a rookie record 49 home runs. It was here that the chemistry for the infamous Bash Brothers, Jose Canseco and McGwire, had reached fruition. Teamed along with base burglar Rickey Henderson, the A's had the budding leaves of a championship tree beginning to bloom.

But dark days were to ensue for McGwire and the A's. They reached the 1988 World Series against the Los Angeles Dodgers only to be chopped down by McGwire's 1 for 17 hitting performance, the flawless pitching of (then no-name) Orel Herscheiser, and the lumber of hitter Kirk Gibson, who finished the series with a ninth inning home run, clinching the title for the Dodgers. They reached the Series again, this time facing the pre-Barry Bonds San Francisco Giants. The infamous Candlestick Quake ensued, and through the tragedy the A's won. A couple of years later they took on the Cincinnati Reds, where the anemic Chris Sabo drew better plays than the mammoth McGwire. The A's were swept, and they again went home empty. The Oakland franchise was clipped of its talent, losing Canseco, Henderson, and other key components of those AL Champion teams. McGwire long suffered there as the lone stilt holding up the city of Babylon. Midway through last season, McGwire was reunited with his former manager Tony LaRussa in St. Louis, and he found his niche again, blasting 24 home runs in two months to finish at 58.

Sammy Sosa took a different approach, being dealt from the White Sox to the Cubs a few seasons ago. "It was like jail," Sosa said of his time as a White Sox player. The Cubs were his ideal environment, and in 1996 he finished 30-30, racking up 30 home runs and 30 stolen bases. 1997 was another matter, as he batted .246 with runners in scoring position, .159 with a two strike count, and collected 174 strikeouts, all while gathering a worse on-base percentage than Braves pitcher Tom Glavine (Sosa's .300 to Glavine's .310). It was time to change a few things. He dropped the gold and diamond-encrusted manhole cover that he wore around his neck and opted to give respectful motions to his mother rather than run his mouth off at a home run hit.

Enter the 1998 season.

McGwire entered the season in traditional Boy Scout fashion, answering questions about calling it an unfulfilled season if he didn't gather the record with, "I just play for the love of the game, that's all." 'Atta boy, Mark. The season started, and McGwire created more artillery booms than the film *Saving Private Ryan*. Crash, crash, crash, crush... who the hell's that echo? Oh, it's little Sammy Sosa of the Cubs, eating a bowl of rice pilaf, laced with Creatine. Last Tuesday the two superpowers met, and McGwire crushed his 62nd home run on a fourth inning pitch, the first offering by Steve Traschel. Record. Who's that Maris guy again? As he trotted the bases, Traschel had only one recurring song dwelling in his head, "Closing time..."

The game was delayed for the St. Louis mosh pit at home plate to run its course, and McGwire's fraternizing with the Maris clan in the stands. Sosa approached the giant and congratulated him, as McGwire uprooted Sosa with one arm. Snap 'em if you got 'em; it's a Kodak moment.

Fast forward to last Sunday, when Sosa regained his hold in the saddle, cranking two out against the Brewers for the tie. Now the giants stand at 62, but who will pull ahead? Let's end this fairy tale with a tie, both sharing the mark. Regardless of who wins, it will be well deserved. Come on, guys, 70 isn't that far off. Hey, can anyone tell me where Albert Belle is? Ha Ha.

Purple Pride hits Stout

■ With Red's ownership, Green's leadership, and a powerhouse of purple, the Vikings may find their pot-o'-gold at Super Bowl XXXIII this season

Offensive might and defensive speed are two of the cornerstones on which the Viking's Super Bowl dreams will ride this season. Maintaining an attitude of fierce competition and keeping our starters off of the disabled list will complete the package. Proponents feel that this year's team has an excellent chance at tasting a Super Bowl victory, but it will be up to Head Coach Dennis Green to bring things together and focus all eyes on the prize.

Currently sharing top ranking with the Green Bay Packers, the Minnesota Vikings have posted a 2-0 record on the season by first beating the Buccaneers, and then narrowly pulling out a 38-31 victory against the Rams. Now I don't want to sound pessimistic, and I do truly feel that the Vikings have an excellent ball club this year, but any game in which both teams score more than 30 points raises some serious questions about what is going on. For the Vikes, this is a problem of attitude. They want it first, but they don't always play like they want it the most. For reasons we may not understand, they let the other team play catch-up after establishing a lead, and when the fourth quarter rolls around it is up to Brad Johnson to put together a last minute scoring drive for the win. This may all be well and fine for them, but the edge of my seat is wearing a little thin.

One of the advantages that the Vikings are going to have to exploit to its fullest is the depth of this club.

Rich Spicer
sports columnist

Unfortunately it is an advantage that they are having to utilize all too soon, as quarterback Brad Johnson is out for 4-6 weeks with a displaced distal fracture of the fibula. Intriguingly enough, the injury resulted from a play in which there was no contact with the quarterback. However, down but not out, the Vikes bounced back with backup quarterback Randal Cunningham. Cunningham came through with a 22-yard touchdown strike to wide receiver Chris Carter, providing for yet another fourth quarter Vikings win.

Another Viking notable is runningback Robert Smith, who racked up an astounding 179 yards in just 23 carries, including two touchdown runs. This boost from the running game was crucial to the win on Sunday and serves to bolster my belief that the Purple Machine can step it up when the situation demands it. They're going to need it. While Smith was having a bumper day against the Rams, next Sunday's advisory, the Detroit Lions, lost an overtime decision against the Bengals, which saw runningback Barry Sanders tack up three touchdowns with 26 carries for 185 yards.

Historically, the Vikings have had only marginal success against the Lions, winning just three of the last six match ups and suffering two losses at pivotal points in last season's race. Still this reporter is optimistic, citing such factors as the superb performance of super rookie Randy Moss, and the fact that after last week's outing, no one can deny our threat on the ground or through the air. The key to our success is going to be our secondary lines stepping up and stopping the big gain plays through the air. Of course, stopping Barry Sanders will be an immediate priority; a task which I feel John Randall will be more than happy to undertake. The game is sure to be an exciting one. Catch it on FOX 13 at noon. Until next week, happy viewing.

Packer Backers: Like the Vikings, we enjoy a good fight. If you would like to face-off with a Packers perspective, submit your comments in writing, addressed to the Sports Editor, at the Stoutonia office. Please include the submitter's name and phone number for verification.

Stout athletes named to WIAC Honor Roll

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

More than 100 UW-Stout student athletes were named to the 1997-98 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Scholastic Honor Roll. Fifty-eight women and 53 men were named to the list of student athletes who earn at least a 3.0 grade point average.

Approximately 350 students participate in varsity athletics at UW-Stout. During the 1997-98 academic year 3,329 athletes competed in the WIAC and of that total, 48 percent earned at least a 3.0 GPA. For the second consecutive year, Women's Tennis took the honors for having the highest overall GPA for a single sport in the WIAC, topping the list with a 3.29 GPA.

A complete listing by school and sport of the 1997-98 WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll can be found on the WIAC website at www.uwsa.edu/athletic/news.

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Men's Soccer

Sept. 13

The Soccer Team opened their 1998 campaign with a 2,2 tie with visiting Minnesota-Duluth. Stout controlled the tempo of the match, but was unable to put more points on the board. A first half goal by junior Ryan Fiskewold and a second half score by junior Corey Klein paced the Blue Devils in their weekend match.

Sept. 16

Stout defeated their archrival Eau Claire, 2,0, in an emotional match. Mike Baranowski was stellar in the nets, earning his first shut out of the season in front of the solid defense of Josh Wise and Crosby Warren. Juniors Ryan Fiskewold and Craig Ovans scored second half goals for the team, who will have road games in St. Cloud and Mankato this weekend.

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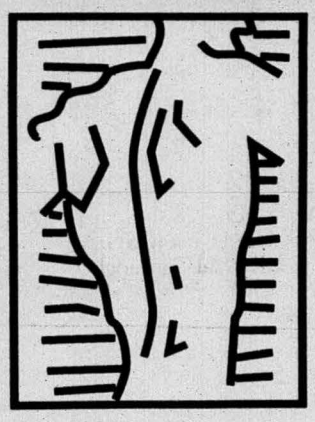
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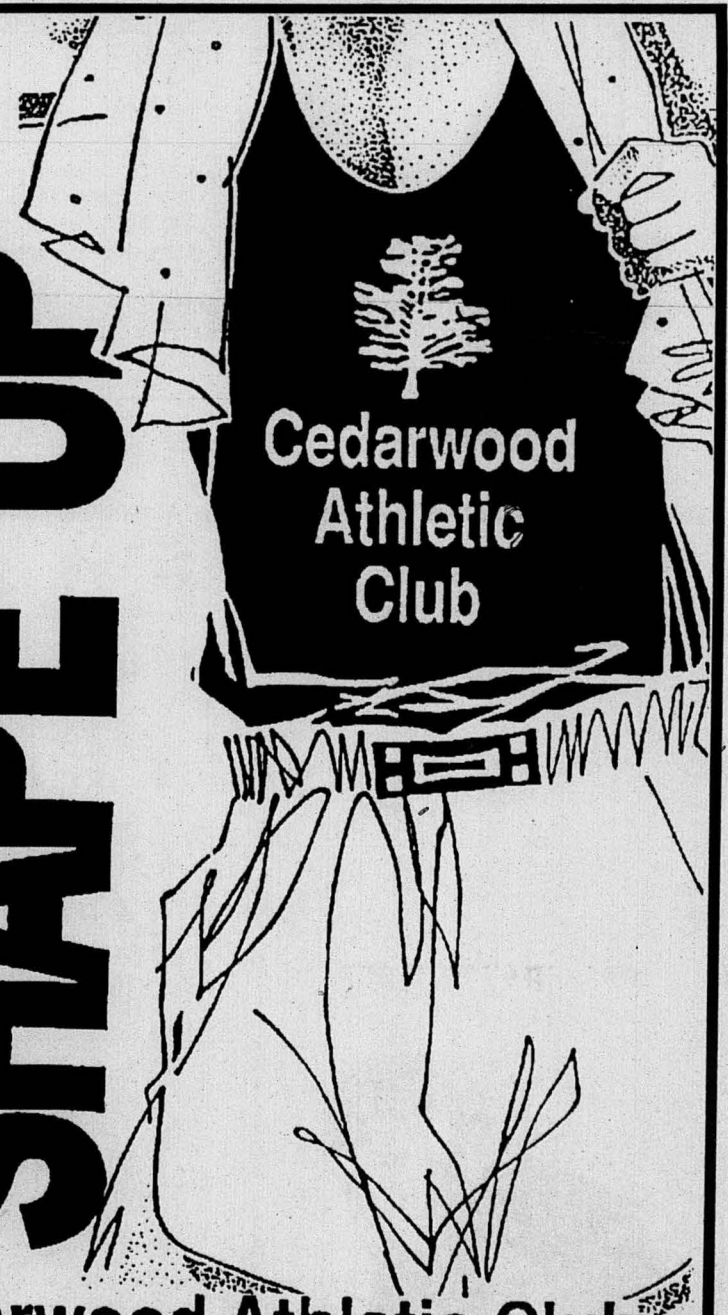
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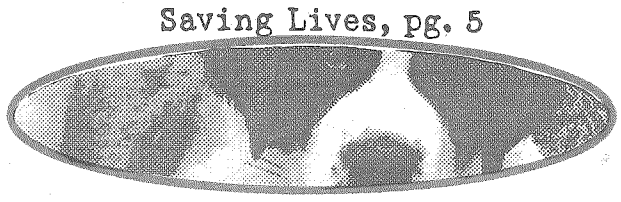
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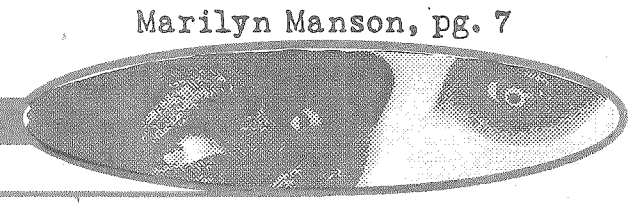
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Across the States in 48 days



Submitted Photo

In a triumphant gesture, Monte Gomke lifts the bike that has taken him half way across the United States to Pierre, South Dakota. He and 727 others continued on to Washington D.C. to complete the expedition that began 48 days earlier in Seattle, Washington. All this to help others fight lung cancer.

■ Stout student joins hundreds in grueling summer bike tour

by Billy Thayer
Staff Reporter

Keep pedaling was a recurrent theme this past summer in GTE's Big Ride Across America. Riders from across the country joined together in a 3,254 mile battle against lung cancer. "The whole reason for the ride was to raise awareness and funds for the American Lung Association's fight against lung cancer," said GTE Big Ride Spokesman Andrew Shane.

UW-Stout's own Monte Gomke participated in the 48-day ride. Gomke, along with his 727 fellow riders, faced many challenges during the ride, the first of which was raising enough money to participate. Each rider was required to raise a minimum of $6,000 dollars to take part in the ride. Contributions from friends, family, and several residence halls enabled Gomke to achieve his goal.

Departing from Seattle on June 15, the riders averaged 81 miles per day and experienced a little of everything America has to offer. "The Big Ride is the way America is supposed to be," said Shane. "The riders were greeted with applause and open arms as they went through America's heartland." The positive feeling the ride provided also spread through the riders as they worked like a team during the ride. "I didn't do it alone," said Gomke. "I had support the whole distance." Support was needed by some riders in whom the effects of lung cancer has been shown. One such woman completed the ride despite having had a double lung transplant.

Constantly changing physical conditions also challenged the riders. From snow on the third day, to rain, to 90 degree heat, the riders physical endurance was put to the test. A mental challenge also took place. "There were times when I thought about quitting," said Gomke, "but I couldn't let down myself or my pledgers."

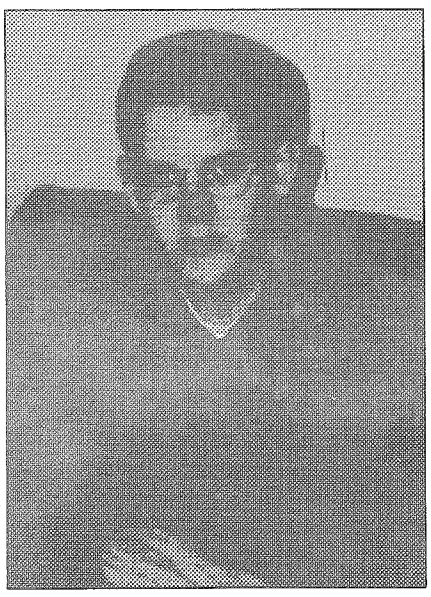
The riders arrived in Washington D.C. on Aug. 1, completing their six and one half week adventure that was a positive experience, but a physical and mental drain on the riders. Gomke's reaction to the whole adventure, "All in all, I'm happy I can say I did it...would I do it again, no."

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>
> Monte Gomke, Big Ride bicyclist

Corporate sponsors such as Ultima and GTE provided generous donations toward making the ride possible. The ride was a success; according to Shane, "We raised 6.35 million dollars for the American Lung Association, and because of the huge publicity, raised people's awareness of lung cancer."

Student dies in crash

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-chief



Submitted Photo

UW-Stout flew campus flags at half mast on Monday in memory of a student it lost this past weekend.

An early morning drive in rural Wisconsin proved to be fatal for Stout student Michael Erickson, 22. The senior in Packaging Engineering was with a friend early Sunday morning, Sept. 20, when he and the driver were ejected from their vehicle, near Pierce County Roads MM and QQ in rural Clifton township.

Erickson was found dead at the scene while the driver, Aric Hansen, was seriously injured, authorities said. Hansen, also 22, was transported to River Falls Area Hospital, where he was listed in stable condition.

The one-vehicle accident reportedly occurred just after 3 a.m. and remained under investigation.

Erickson was affectionately known by his friends as Mikey. His friends commented how he had the uncanny knack to be there just when he was needed and had a smile that could brighten any day.

His family and friends would like to thank the many Stout students and faculty that attended the funeral Wednesday; it was a true testament of how much he will be missed. A memorial is being planned for Erickson, after which friends will plant a tree in his memory.

Stout still seeking diversity

by Colleen Brennen
News Editor

Diversity can mean a myriad of things. The inherent difficulty in discussing the issue is that it is difficult to define, for it represents an ever-changing thing.

Most people already have their own ideas about what diversity is, what it means to them, and how it affects their lives. Many things may come to mind. Some think about equal treatment, political correctness, and equal opportunities, while others may ponder preferential treatment, discrimination or social injustice at the mere mention of the word.

Diversity is one of those things that ignites buzz words, debate, and presumptions. Wisconsin universities are hoping that with their plan, those "pre-definitions" are about to be expanded.

Plan 2008: Educational Quality Through Ethnic/Racial Diversity is the official title for phase two in the Design for Diversity that spans the next 10 years. Right now it is in the proposal and planning stage, but has been approved by the Board of Regents. It has been determined that each campus in the UW System must create a tailored plan for increasing diversity. However, each plan must be written in accordance with the principle system plan that contains specific objectives and goals every campus must strive to meet in order to be successful with this venture.

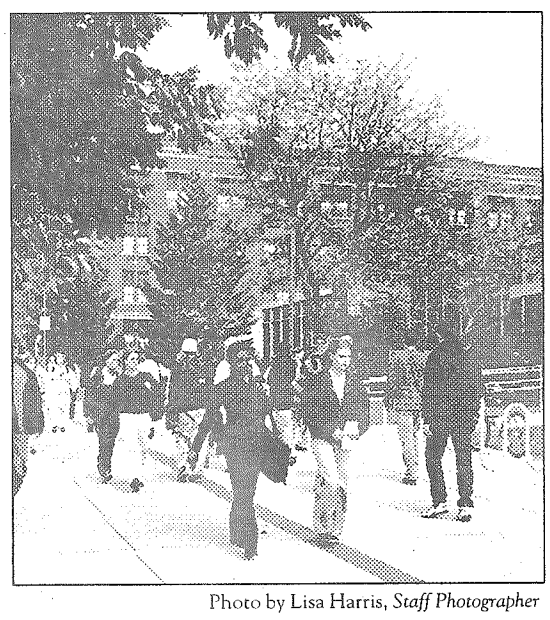


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Now the question is why there is a need for these measures. "My hope is that students begin to see diversity on campus as a critical point of their college education. A diverse environment makes everyone's lives and experiences richer," Mary Riordon, Multicultural Coordinator at Stout, said.

If all can come to appreciate and understand cultural and racial differences, how can that knowledge be applied? How does everyone work together and benefit? What skills do students need to have in order to function, produce, live in and excel in a diverse work place, or a diverse country for that matter? How will Stout students stand up to global competition in light of technological advances that make international business operations more common?

Please see Plan on page 2

Good and rotten apple search

by Mike Steinke
Editorial Board reporter

It's three weeks into the semester and most students already have their professor's personalities pegged. They have decided which instructors are good, those that are terrible, and those that form the cream of the crop. Until the Stout Student Association's (SSA) instructor awards, these opinions rarely came out before the end of semester evaluation sheets, if they are handed out. UW-Stout's student government is hosting the Best and Worst Instructor of the Month Awards, carrying student opinion around the campus.

Students can vote for both categories by filling out a nomination form at the Information Desk on the top level of the Memorial Student Center. The drop-off box is on the wall, just to the left of the Information Desk. The winners will be posted at a location soon to be announced.

Voters should give their name and class that their nominee teaches. SSA suggests that voters consider these characteristics (or the lack of): preparedness, timeliness, interesting lectures, and fair testing procedures. Comments about the instructor are encouraged and will be used to determine the winner in the case of a tie. All nominators are anonymous.

The winner of the Best Instructor of the Month will receive an award, while the Worst Instructor of the Month will only get the honor of knowing he/she won. The Worst Instructor category may be a shock to some, as it is included in a contest that has traditionally focused only on praising faculty. "Students have the right to complain about instructors," Jim Galloy, SSA Off-Campus Senator, said.

SSA insists that the worst instructor category was intended for motivating instructors to heed student opinions and not to penalize them.

For more information, contact Brian Lind, SSA Director of Academic Affairs or Jim Galloy, SSA Off-Campus Senator.

Campus buildings left in the dark

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

Some days are just destined to be terrible from their start, tripping on the way up stairs and spraying text books on the sidewalk are considered highlights. Some days feel so terrible upon waking up that the best bet for the day would be just to stay in bed. This past Thursday was most certainly not one of those days for a number of students at Stout.

At approximately 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 17, a section of Menomonie was caught without power. The outage affected a portion of southern campus as well as at least a few blocks immediately east of campus. Due to the timing of the outage, some classes were tragically cut short.

Several buildings affected by the outage included the Technology Wing, Applied Arts, and Micheels Hall among others. Overhead line contact caused the outage, but it is unclear what made contact with the lines. In cases of overhead line contact, a tree branch is often the culprit. Although serious damage to the lines was found, power was restored to all affected buildings within 15 minutes. On account of the prompt actions of Northern States Power Company, no other classes were delayed by the outage.

News Briefs

Compiled by Billy Thayer

Wage proposal axed

Washington - The proposed $1 increase in the federal minimum wage was rejected Tuesday. Pushed by Senator Edward Kennedy and other Democrats, the increase was defeated by a 55-44 vote. Kennedy said a new increase was needed to help "hard-working Americans who deserve a living wage." Regardless senators killed the proposal which would have raised the minimum wage to $6.15 on Jan. 1, 2000.

Hurricane George hits

Port-Au-Prince, Haiti - Hurricane George slammed into Haiti yesterday showing no mercy. With extreme winds and torrential rains, George has killed at least 11 more people, bringing the death toll to 37. Damages have reached 1 billion dollars in Puerto Rico and have set off looting and street violence in the Dominican Republic.

Evacuation efforts have been under way for several days now in the Florida Keys, where up to 100,000 people have been told to flee. The current path of the storm could lead it to hit the Keys by late Thursday or early Friday.

Capitol shooters in court

Washington - The two suspects of the July shooting on the U.S. Capitol building had their first scheduled court appearance this Wednesday. The suspects are accused of killing two police officers and will remain under locked hospital guard. Russell Weston, Jr., who had suffered gunshot wounds during the incident was unable to appear in court before now. Officers Jacob J. Chestnut and John Gibson died during the exchange of gunfire, and a 24-year-old tourist was slightly wounded.

Clinton's intimates exposed

Washington - Footage of President Clinton's grand jury testimony was broadcast Monday over the nation's airwaves. "It's an embarrassing and personally painful thing," Clinton told the grand jurors. An obviously shaken Clinton expressed anger at the prosecutors questions. "I deplored what they were doing," said Clinton. Presidential spokesman Mike McCurry's response to the whole ordeal, "it should now be clear to everyone" that the president's conduct does not rise to the level of an impeachable offense.

Police Beat

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Suspicious person

On Sept. 15 there was a possible removal of library materials, as a student walked through the library's security system with books on top of his head. It is unknown whether the books belong to the library. Officers checked the area, but the suspect was not found.

Citations

For the week of Sept. 15-20, there were eight citations issued for underage consumption and one resisting arrest.

Criminal damage

A car that was parked in parking lot #29 on Sept. 16 was damaged by a golf ball. The student returned to her car to find the windshield broken and the golf ball a short distance away. The golf ball appears to have come from Nelson Field near the track.

Criminal damage

Someone smashed a sliding rear passenger window of a vehicle parked in lot #5. Nothing was missing.

Fire alarm/false alarm

Officers responded to a fire alarm set off in the University Services building on Sept. 16. They checked the building but found nothing. The alarm was reset.

Found property

A pair of in-line skates, a hockey stick, and puck were found on the tennis courts. If these belong to you, please contact the Campus Security office at x-2222. You must correctly identify them.

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The Stoutonia is looking for people to fill the following positions:

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Plan/expanding views

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How will Stout recruit and retain students of diverse backgrounds? And what skills do instructors need to have in order to create a diverse learning classroom climate in which all can effectively learn? The UW System has a barrel of questions yet to answer.

Program coordinators explain the plan as an intensification of what was tried for in the past, without losing appreciation for the simple values and lessons that have been learned. "We need to deliberately work to create a diverse environment. It won't happen naturally. And we want people to see a diverse campus as positive and enriching for everyone. A diverse campus stimulates increased critical thinking, perspective expansion and improves the development of all students," Ray Rivera, Director of Diversity, said.

Since Stout is renowned for a "hands-on" approach to learning, it is hoped that Plan 2008 will, in looking at the larger scale of diversity, prove to be an asset.

The proposal for Stout's plan of action has to be presented to the Board of Regents by April 15, 1999, but there is still a lot that this plan will go through before then.

The diversity plan must first be cleared by students and Chancellor Sorenson. Student comments will be essential for further effective development of this plan.

Before submission or implementation, a Dialog Plan will be released on the Web for student access and feedback purposes. The Dialog Plan will be used as a tool for stimulation of discussion among faculty and students. The ideas, comments, and suggestions gathered about this plan will form the basis for the first draft of UW-Stout's strategic plan for creating a diverse learning environment.

Wisconsin universities are counting on all their members to stick together and expand ideas about what diversity is in order for all to benefit from the effort.

University Notes

Compiled by Nicole Heckmann from submitted news releases

Pin lost

On Wednesday, Sept. 23 a four leaf clover pin with a brassy looking finish was lost on campus. The pin is about the size of a dime. This has great sentimental value and is a family heirloom. If you have any information on this, please call 233-1108 or 235-3177.

Broadcast auction

The Wisconsin Public Radio Auction will be holding an auction from Oct. 6-8 at 6-9 p.m., broadcast live on the radio. Bids by phone will be accepted on 400 items, including furniture, electronics, concert and event tickets, and fitness packages. Proceeds go to regional programming and promotion for Wisconsin Public Radio, 88.3 WHWC. Call 1-800-228-5615 for a free auction listing.

ParenTalk

ParenTalk, a parent support group will be meeting from 10-11 a.m. at the Family Resource Center. Sessions are informal, providing information and education. Celebrating Differences, a program for families with children with disabilities, will be held on Sept. 24. Making a Difference Day on Oct. 24 will provide free child care and a clown/magic show. Must pre-register. Call Kym Carter at 235-2412 for more information or to register.

Attention veteran students

Now that the school year has started, don't forget to come to the VA office at Bowman Hall and file paper work for education benefits. Students should contact the office even if they think their benefits have been used; it's possible there is still money available. Also, many veterans are eligible for credit for much of their military training. To join a Stout Veterans Group, contact the VA office at 232-2121.

Resume building

Translate your leadership activities to your resume. A seminar in conjunction with the ULEAD program at Stout will be held on Sept. 24. Bill Siedlecki, Assoc. Director of the Student Union, will host the hour long program in the Pioneer-Prairie Room of the Memorial Student Center from 4:40-5:30. Sponsored by Involvement and Leadership.

Hockey cheer team

An informational hockey cheer team meeting on Sept. 24 will be held in 217 Johnson Fieldhouse at 7:30 p.m. Contact Kati or Heather at 235-1406 for further details.

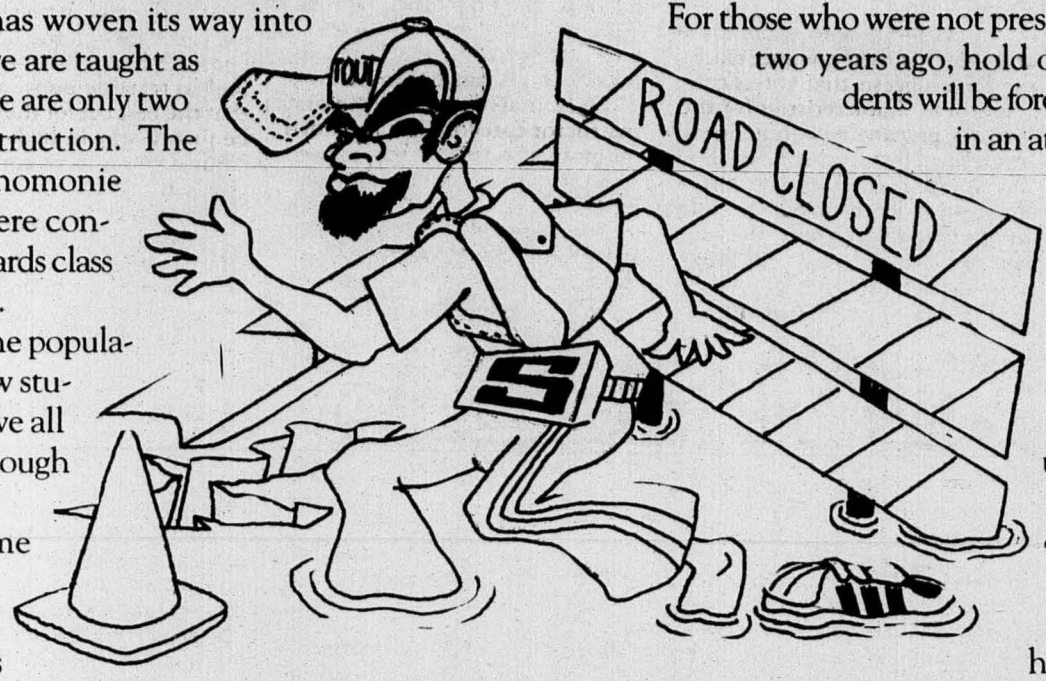
WELS Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry invites students to find out more on their group fellowships and activities. An informational meeting will be held in the Pioneer Room of the Memorial Student Center on Sept. 29 from 6-7 p.m. Contact Amanda Miller at x-3615 or millera@uwstout.edu.

Editorial

Construction Circus

There is a common saying that has woven its way into Wisconsin folklore. Despite what we are taught as children about weather systems, there are only two true seasons - winter and road construction. The latter took the forefront in the Menomonie community last week, as students were continuously hampered on their way towards class by the makeover done on 3rd Street.



Hmmm, second week of school, the population of the city recently doubled, new students on campus, and the reception we all receive is one of the major roads through campus is impassable? What mastermind was running the timing scheme of Menomonie that week? Does it not seem logical to conduct road construction during the summer months in a college town, lowering the stress of workers and students at the same time, while minimizing the risk of work-related injuries? It may take scientists years of devoted study to delve into these probing questions.

And just when students thought it was safe, that construction woes were through and Stout students were safe to cross the street...uh-oh, here comes the next round of construction for the downtown area. In this episode North Campus students will be struck with the loss of Crescent Street, spanning the distance between Broadway and Main.

For those who were not present for the Broadway facelift two years ago, hold on to the backpacks, as students will be forced to impersonate decathlons in an attempt to get to class on time.

In a town such as ours, it does seem logical that continuous, on-going improvements take place. In other words, the beauty of Menomonie should be continuously added to and upgraded. At least students can take pride in being citizens of a community which does improve its condition. But does it not strike the human mind to conduct such massive reconstructive surgery at times when students are out of town?

The bureaucratic steps required to complete such projects need to be done in such a manner as to not hamper the students in their educational endeavors. After all, as proven in many studies, students bring in well over the majority of the economic support for Menomonie. While pulling such a large monetary rate into the area, do students not deserve the ability to walk to class without tripping over gravel pieces, sinking into brand new black top, or trying to walk the curb like a trapeze artist?

Letters

To the Editor of the Stoutonia:

It doesn't matter whether you are a supporter of Bill Clinton or not. I believe most Americans are saddened by recent revelations concerning the president. I did not realize how much I was bothered by it until I was having a time of prayer and found myself thinking about the problems of the president instead of spending time with God in prayer.

What would Jesus do or say to the president? The Bible gives a very clear answer. The Gospel accounts of the life of Christ tell us about many occasions when Jesus confronted those who were involved in sexual and other sins.

First, Jesus would confront the president with his sins. The Lord never treated sin lightly. In the fourth chapter of John, Jesus confronts the sexually immoral woman at the well with her sin.

He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back."

"I have no husband," she replied.

Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband." (John 4:16-18)

Sex has become a "sacred cow" of our modern society. We are constantly told that there is nothing wrong with premarital sex, and that we should be tolerant of even the most deviant sexual behavior. The only thing we are told that we should not be tolerant of is anyone with strong moral convictions.

Jesus never tolerated sin. He always confronted it, whether it was the promiscuity of the woman at the well or the greed and irreverence of the merchants selling at the Temple. When Jesus saw them selling in the Temple, he overturned their tables, drove them out, and said, "My house will be called a house of prayer, but you are making it a den of thieves." (Matthew 21:12-13)

Secondly, where sin was acknowledged, Jesus offered forgiveness. Jesus offered the woman "the gift of God" - forgiveness and eternal life. (John 4:10, 14) God gives forgiveness and eternal life as a gift to all who turn to Christ and believe in him as their Savior.

Jesus made no offer of forgiveness to the merchants selling at the Temple, because there was no confession of sin or acknowledgement that he was the Messiah. Likewise, Jesus told the pharisees who refused to believe in him, "If you do not believe that I am the one I claim to be, you will indeed die in your sins." (John 8:24)

The reason Jesus can offer forgiveness and eternal life as a gift is that Jesus paid for the gift by dying on the cross. The Bible says, "While we were still sinners, Christ died for us...Christ died for our sins...the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God." (1 Romans 5:8, 1 Corinthians 15:3, 1 Peter 3:8)

Thirdly, Jesus would call the president to repentance and faith. Jesus' first sermon is summarized in Mark 1:15. "The kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!" God's condition for forgiveness has always been the same: "Repent and believe."

"Jesus said, 'Unless you repent, you too will all perish.' " (Luke 13:3) To repent means to have a change of heart and a change of mind. There are three things involved in repentance.

First is a genuine sorrow for sin. I am not talking about being sorry because you got caught or being sorry in order to try to escape the consequences of our sins. Having God's forgiveness does not relieve us from facing the consequences of our actions. Repentance is being sorry because we have sinned against God and have not done what is right in his sight.

Secondly, there needs to be a willingness to turn from our sins and obey God's commands. This involves being willing to make amends or restitution if it is possible.

Thirdly, we need to turn to Christ for forgiveness. We need to admit that no matter how moral or good we are in the eyes of men, that all of us are guilty sinners before God, and that we can only be saved by Jesus' death on the cross.

Believing in Christ involves many of the same things as repentance. To believe in Christ means to trust in Christ alone as our Savior. It means to acknowledge our sin, our need of forgiveness, and that God has provided only one way of salvation through the death of his son on the cross. God promises that "...whosoever believes in him, shall not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

God is no respecter of persons. The fact that Bill Clinton is president does not impress him. Regardless of our position in life, all of us will one day stand before God and have to give an account of our lives and whether we have accepted God's gracious offer of forgiveness or not. The good news is that all of our sins have been paid for, and God offers forgiveness and eternal life as a gift to whoever would come to him.

Please join with me in praying for the president and in praying for Congress, that God will give them wisdom in the difficult decisions they will have to make in the months ahead.

Pastor Jim Folz
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Campus Slant

Why do you think Lake Menomin is green?



"It's a sign that the Packers are washed up!"

Scott Dereshuk
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"A bad batch of Swiss Miss leaked into the lake."

Erica Nord
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"Because of all the crap they dump in there."

Jenny Schmidt
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"Decomposing alien bodies!"

Teiko Judnic
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"The Sea Monkeys are having too much fun!"

Ryan Harrison
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Next Week's Question: Where is the strangest place you've woken up?

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Young dog has big paws to fill

■ Starting over with a new pet can be trying, especially if that pet must be trained to save a life



Gizmo's days were filled with much stress. Sometimes a mid-day nap is needed.

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

To most the task of physically rising from bed in the morning is not a formidable one. After hitting the snooze button three, maybe four times, one can usually coax themselves out of bed and get to where they're supposed to be, possibly class. However, to Marjorie Plum Sellers even this unassuming task could pose a problem, if she were without the aid of her service dog.

Sellers has been battling Multiple Sclerosis (MS) for the past 15 years. Any returning Stout students may recall seeing Sellers and her companion, Gizmo, (known to the students as 'speed bump' around campus last year.) Gizmo was a full-bred St. Bernard weighing in at just a shade under 200 lbs. "He gave me my independence," said Sellers. Gizmo gave her the assurance that she could carry on a normal student lifestyle. This dog had the uncanny ability to sense a lapse coming on in her and was able to alert her of it before it caused problems.

Tragically, this summer Gizmo contracted a very rapidly developing form of liver cancer. Within five days, he had gone from a happy, healthy dog, to a completely helpless and extremely painful victim of cancer. After seven years of aid and service, Sellers was forced to put her sidekick to sleep. "Words don't describe how I felt when I had to put Gizzi' down," she said tearfully. "There will never be another dog or person that will be able to replace what Gizmo did for me."

Since Gizmo's passing on this summer, several people have been rallying behind Sellers to help raise funds for another dog. However, not just any dog will work. A service dog must be compatible with the needs of the disabled. A St. Bernard is a perfect fit for her particular needs. The trouble is, no one trains Saints as service dogs. Sellers trained Gizmo herself. In fact, Gizmo was the first certified St. Bernard service dog in the United States. After seeing what Sellers was able to accomplish with Gizzi, Helping Paws, an aid dog organization out of the Twin Cities, agreed to help Sellers with the training of her new aid dog, Bentley. Bentley is a nine-week-old St. Bernard. She has had her new companion since Labor Day weekend and is growing quite fond of him.

Sellers' new acquisition will be an enormous boost to her, but not without a considerable debt. Bentley himself cost her about $2,500, much of which she has yet to pay. To have Bentley professionally trained, she could expect to pay a minimum of $20,000. Training Bentley herself will save her much of that money; however, there is still a significant bill left for her to take care of. She has received some funding from the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Wisconsin and other individuals as well. If students would like to help or know someone who would be willing and able, Mary Clinton at (715)415-0054 for more information. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Many of life's most routine tasks are taken for granted. These tasks are completely effortless and performed tens, maybe hundreds of times a day by the average person. Sellers has made the most of the hand life has dealt her. "Multiiple Sclerosis is about learning to appreciate what you've got," she said of her everyday struggle. "You learn to take life one day at a time."

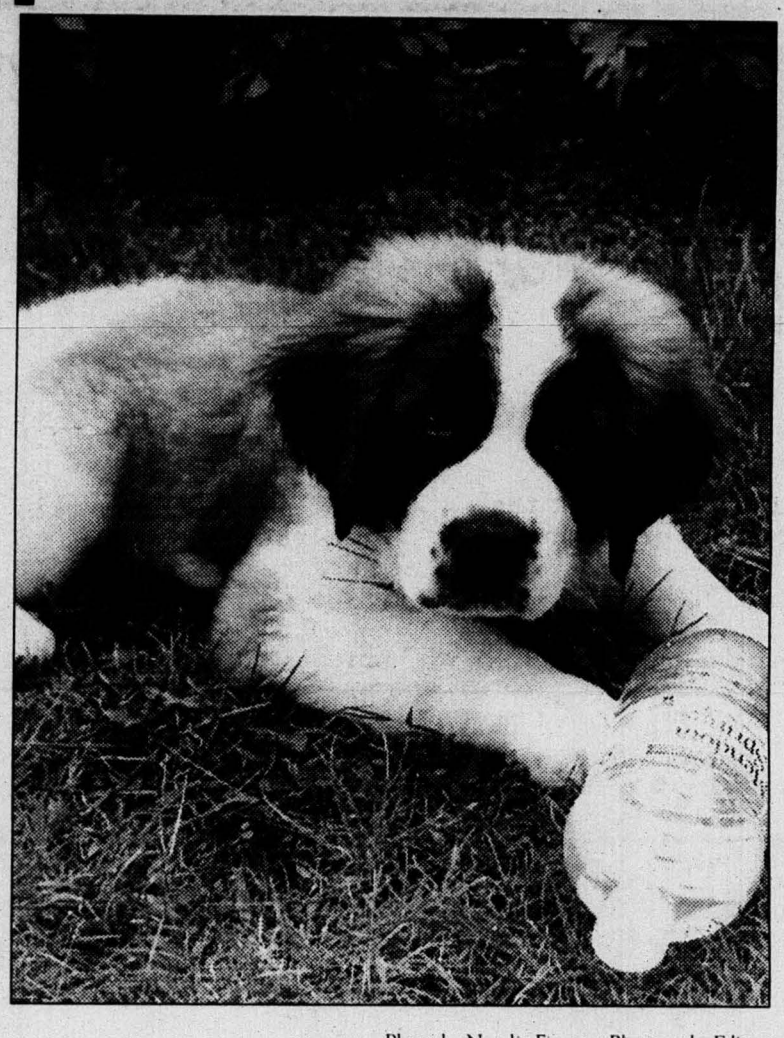


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

A water bottle is used to help train Bentley to retrieve objects. Sellers is progressively working with him, eventually teaching him how to perform everyday tasks that aid in her living.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day will be appearing periodically. Chloe depicts the life of a typical college student. Addressed within this column are the humorous accounts of a real college student's life. This week Chloe experiences what running out of gas really feels like. Facing a busy day, she tries to impliment some basic skills in time management. One thing leads to another and she finds herself stranded on a street corner. The moral of this story is that Chloe learns that even time management must run on something.



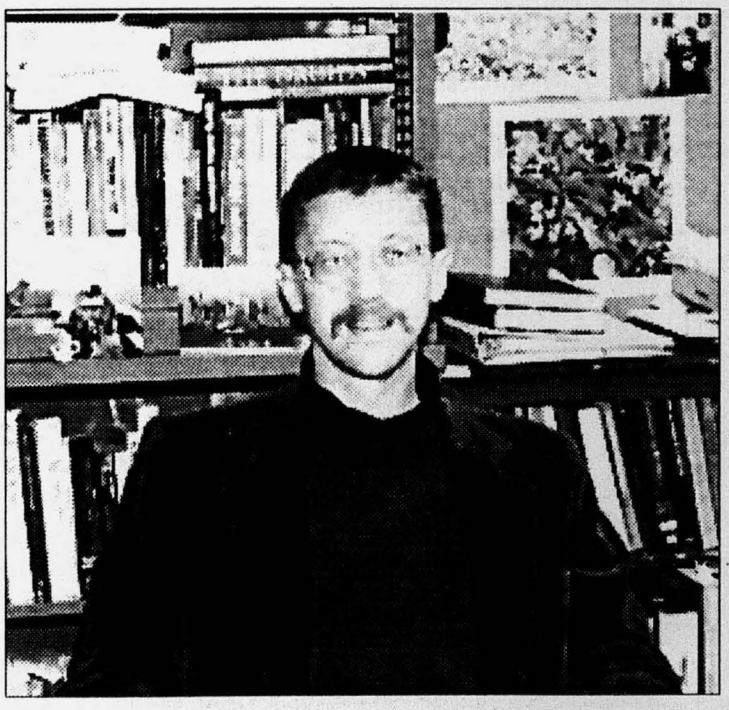
by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

Another day, another headache. Yesterday I thought I'd become organized during my one hour break of the whole day. I needed to run to the bank, the grocery store, and the gas station. I thought I'd go to the bank first, since it was the furthest away and then make my way back to the gas station. Finally I would go to the grocery store to keep the food from cooking on the way home. I made it three blocks before I ran out of gas.

To fully appreciate the humor to this story, I should give some background information on my personality. I'm the type of person that is proud if I have a quarter of a tank of gas in my car. I'm a chronic gas-filler. The local stations have my schedule and are actually surprised if I don't show up at least four times a week. (I also have a route of stations so as to not appear too frequently at any one.) This has become a favorite pastime joke between all my friends. My car always runs with the needle on the red square that signifies: hey, you're running on fumes. So it was almost embarrassing to admit I ran out of gas. Needless to say, I heard a lot of I-told-you-so's.

So as I'm pulling out from a stop sign into a busy intersection, my car starts to sputter. It's exactly like the movies portray (you know how they can be far fetched at times). I'm pumping the gas like a mad women just to make it move. Cars behind me are starting to line up. It became a race, and I wanted to get out of the way before I became the victim of endless profanities and noise violations. I eventually made it to the side of the road and let the cars stream by. Do you know how embarrassing it is to run out of gas in front of five billion people? It was my first time, and I'd say unless the feeling wears off after becoming a pro-gas depleter, it's not something I'd want to make a habit out of.

This is the time when you thank God you have good friends. My friends brought me to the gas station (my favorite hangout) with a big red gas can and waited for me by my car when I filled the tank. Even when the neighbors came out on their porches and photographers reached the scene, they didn't leave. Oh, if you want a more in depth overview of the act, check the Star Tribune and the Leader. I'm on the front page.



Faculty Profile: *Dr. Timothy Shiell*

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

Classrooms, residence halls, a few too many social gatherings, and not quite enough studying: these are all characteristics commonly associated with university life. What makes a university like Stout work? The students and professors are the anchors of any university, and Stout is no exception. However, the students often neglect to appreciate the professors like they should. Thankfully, someone is doing it for them.

Philosophy professor, Timothy Shiell, was recently recognized as the worthy recipient of the coveted Maybelle Ranney Price Award. This venerable award is given out annually to a professor who has submitted an application to the Wisconsin Board of Regents. They go on to select one worthy professor. The Price Award is accompanied by a $3,500 monetary gift, which is to be used at the honoree's discretion.

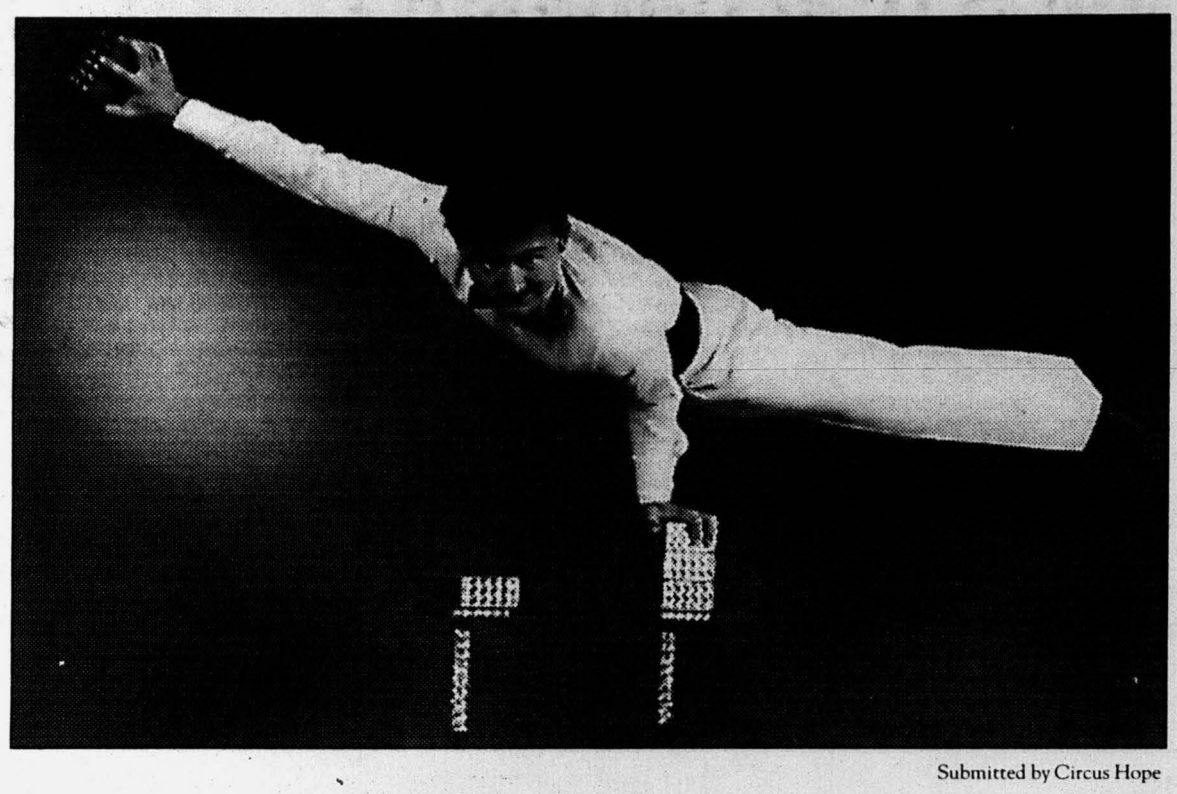
Very grateful for the award he received, Professor Shiell said he believed the award reflected "dedication to university students." The money was used for new computer software for the philosophy department and for some new texts. He will also be using some of the money to fund a few conferences he will be attending.

There is a core to Professor Shiell's life that goes much beyond the classroom. Growing up with a father in the military, he and his family moved frequently. "Family is all you've got," he said. Close to his family as a child, they continue to be at the heart of his life. His family was a deciding factor when choosing the college at which he would serve. He wanted to stay in the Midwest because he and his wife had family in that region. The position at Stout allowed him to do just that.

Professor Shiell and his family are quite involved in the local soccer program. In his spare time, providing he has any, he can often be found on or very near a soccer field either playing or officiating. "It's a great family activity," he said.

Professor Shiell strives to be dedicated to the university and its students. He is very pleased with the positive direction the university is heading. "This is an exciting place to be," he said of Stout. "I love my job."

Circus performers travel with purpose



Submitted by Circus Hope

In obvious concentration, Massimigliano Bizzarro demonstrates a seemingly impossible feat. Traveling world-wide, Circus Hope is not only known for their unique stunts, but also their purpose of helping each community they travel to.

by Emily Kores
Staff Reporter

The city of Menomonie will soon host the opening show of the Circus Hope's American tour. The Circus Hope is a European-style circus, which instead of multiple rings, features multi-national talent. In addition, the circus seeks to give back to the communities it performs in. The Humane Society is likely to be one of the organizations benefited in this area.

The circus is run by the Bizzarro family, a tenth-generation Italian circus family whose history can be traced back to 1599. Paulo Giancarlo Bizzarro, the first in the long line of performers, began touring Italy with his family act, and ever since, the Bizarros have been putting on shows that entertain and delight.

In addition to the upcoming U.S. circus, the family also has two circuses which are currently touring Europe.

The circus will take place Monday, Sept. 28 and Tuesday, Sept. 29. It will feature a Morroccan tumbling group of six people doing unique routines, and an Argentinian Gaucho act with drums and traditional Argintinian Dances, in addition to numerous other attractions.

The Circus Hope also boasts a politically correct slant. Says co-owner Massimigliano Bizzarro, "Our circus is European style; we have no animals, only dogs. There is no exploitation of animals - the dogs are treated very well. This is the way it is in Europe; they do not touch the animals. We are just a little ahead of our time here."

Bizzarro, a performer himself since age 10, knows what he is talking about. He performed in the International Circus Montecarlo in 1979 and won the Golden Clown Award, "Which is like the Golden Globe of circus performing," he said, for his head-balancing trapeze act. In 1991 he also went on to set the world record for spinning on his head - 55 consecutive times.

From Menomonie, the circus will move on to perform in Oshkosh, Eagle River, Ironwood, Michigan, and then Merrill, WI. The circus will perform at 4:30 and 7:30 p.m. at the Recreational Park on both Sept. 28 and 29. Admission is $10, with a 50 percent discount off the price with a student ID.



Photo collage by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

First time in its location, the Organizational Fair was hosted within the Merle Price Commons. In hopes to draw new students' attention, the fair boasted some of the many organizations offered at UW-Stout.

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Marilyn Manson goes mechanical

Opinions abound concerning the legitimacy of this band. Despite what anyone might think, everyone will have to admit one thing: they are one of the most unique and controversial bands in the mainstream today.

Casey Klein

As if to prove this point, in front of adoring fans upon the group's latest album release, Manson claimed that this album was the "christ" version of his last album "Antichrist Superstar," which he admitted was the "satan" side. This fact may be tough for some to swallow, as the band claims in a number of songs, "God is just a statistic," "As hollow as the 'o' in God," and "Look at me now, got no religion."

What has made the band as appealing as they are today is their aesthetically pleasing quality, and their near hypnotic rhythms. They have what hundreds of garage bands dream of, thousands of adoring teenage fans worshipping their every move. They have accomplished this with sounds which conjure up thoughts of darkened streets, degenerate characters, and unescapable doom. They have brought to music what J. O. Barr brought to comics in his creation of The Crow.

And with that, one band turned the youth of America into blackened drones, all bent to outdo everyone else by looking more "Goth." Expect there to be another round of intellectually stimulating Jenny Jones', featuring fretting mothers attempting to persuade their daughters into a Jenny Jones makeover.

Another key to Manson's success is raw talent. Those who dissent from this point need only listen to the guitar work by bandmate Twiggy Ramirez to be persuaded of the band's abilities. M. W. Gacy also returns, manning the band's keyboard and synthesizer.

Highlights of the release "Mechanical Animals," as usual, revolve around political, religious, and drug-related themes, the latter being emphasized this time around. *The Dope Show*, Manson's first single on the new album, touches on a fan's feeling of love when a band is in the news and then hatred for them when they're out. The single also gives the band the ability to release another haunting video. This one features patterns of repetitions and shows the band more exclusively than previous videos have.

Also lacing the album is the intro *Great White World*, warning the world of the assimilation effect of eliminating the diversity of the land we live in. Manson also strikes a cord on *Rock is Dead*, almost pleading for another artist to step up and deliver a pure rock sound.

Little extras also make up the difference on this CD. As many present artists are doing, Manson uses an enhanced CD. This compact disc, when used with a PC, gives the listener an added bonus of listening to music while viewing two original paintings by the lead singer. Other examples of enhanced CD work include KoRn's second, *Life is Peachy*, Beastie Boys' latest, *Hello Nasty*, and Funkdoobiest's effort, *The Troubleshooters*.

There are qualities that are lacking in "Mechanical Animals," which would make the band a much greater draw. Their hypnotic sound offers little room for variation, letting the CD seem to drone on in length. Past the first heavily guitar laden tracks, it may become to repetitive to bare.

Overall, this seems to be a typical Manson CD - a few catchy tunes, a few racy comments, and a moment of glory before turning backward and returning to droning in the following tracks. "Mechanical Animals" earns two out of five crucifixes. The band is too afraid to step out of its repetitive sound to deliver a more admirable sound.

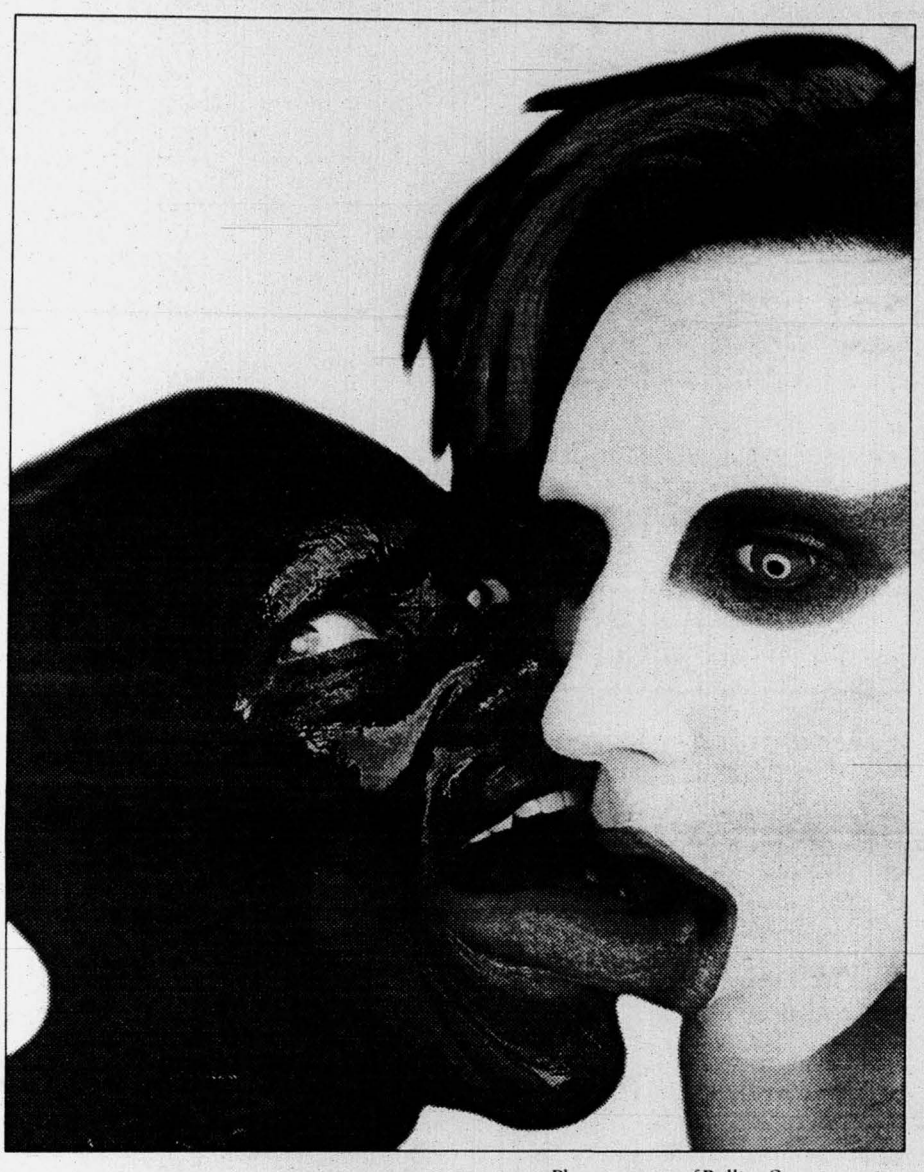


Photo courtesy of Rolling Stone magazine

Always in the search for attention, Marilyn Manson attempts to push his business in everyone else's face. On his latest effort, "Mechanical Animals," Manson gives a typical release, a few smoking hot songs, then fades into monotonous guitarwork.

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Winner and Loser of the week!

AND THE WINNER IS...

As the grunge era died, so did many great and talented sounds. Luckily, one of them was not **Pearl Jam**, the Seattle five-some who made it a mission to keep to their own. MTV watchers were delighted this fall when the band issued their first video since the powerful *Jeremy*, circa 1994. *Do The Evolution*, the latest video endeavor, was the brainchild of Eddie Vedder, frontman, and Todd McFarlane, creator of the comic strip Spawn. Take a moment to check out this animated history of man while flipping through the channels.

BUT ON THE LOSING END...

Hollywood baby boomers are all over magazine covers of late, as everyone is bent for publicity. The question should be raised if this is an actual family beginning, or a desperate plea for more attention. Famous parents, or those to be, include **Will Smith, Madonna, The Spice Girls, Jodie Foster, and Lisa Kudrow,** who have all received an enormous amount of attention because of their "parenting situation." Americans want to know, is this for your own popularity benefit, or legitimate attempts to begin a family? All egos aside, this a life you're messing with, do it for the right reasons.

Horoscopes

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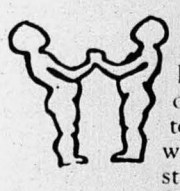
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Catch a frog. Give it a good, wet smooch on the lips. Other than that, there will be no other chance at love this week.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) It's a good week to lay around, watch TV, and get fat since you don't have too much else on your agenda. Program Domino's into your speed dial and go nuts.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Explore the realms of the impossible today. Ask yourself why the hula hoop stayed popular for so many years. Is it because of its sexual innuendo, or is it because it's just a brainless, fun thing to swing around your waist? This sort of intellectual thinking has earned you a reputation. Basically people think you're weird.



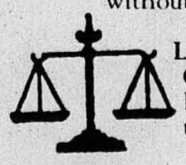
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) In an unfortunate occurrence, someone will tear down your Spice Girls poster. While raging with anger, you will go on a rampage burning all the land and villages in sight. Later, you will wake up in a state of confusion.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Someone will give you a shiny new pencil today. It'll be nice.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) While at a Hawaiian luau, you will laugh and joke about all the nutty people diving into the mud. A few shots of Tequila later, you'll find yourself running around in nothing but a towel and some dirt. Pictures of you will float around without your consent.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Bad hair day today. I wouldn't go outside if I were you. You'll frighten small children.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Today you will discover something very strange looking in your underwear drawer. Best not to tell anyone.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Someone will tell you that you "run funny." Just ignore them. (And be thankful they didn't see you throwing a baseball.)



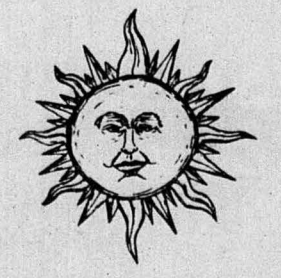
Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) This week you will find a huge piece of lint in your pocket. That's it though for this week's excitement.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today you will figure out how to wiggle your ears and become quite good at it. People will invite you to parties.

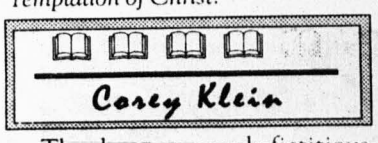


Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) If you aren't careful, you might use a poor choice of words today and possibly hurt someone's feelings. As it turns out, the phrase, "You look like Spaghettio puke," may not be as neutral as you thought.



The cult vault: *The Last Temptation of Christ*

Imagine for a moment that instead of being the savior of the world, Jesus of Nazareth had settled down to raise a family. It is an interesting premise for one of Martin Scorsese's greatest films, *The Last Temptation of Christ*.



Corey Klein

The show, an openly fictitious plot, features some of the great cinematography that Scorsese has become famous for. The storyline revolves around Christ's struggle to follow the word of God, and the almost tormenting voices that haunt his entire being. Jesus, as portrayed by Willem Dafoe, is followed by these voices and visions until one day he litterally draws the line and asks God to confront him in the desert.

Dafoe is aided throughout the movie by Judas (Harvey Keitel of *Copland*, *From Dusk 'til Dawn*) and Mary Magdalene (Barbara Hershey of *Beaches*) and is pursued by the Romans, one of which is played by the familiar face of rocker David Bowie.

Definitely a controversial film, it was banned in movie theaters nationwide upon its public release in 1988.

It simultaneously acquired praise and Oscar nominations for best score (Peter Gabriel) and achievement in cinematography (director Martin Scorsese), while Hershey was awarded a Golden Globe for her portrayal of the famous temple prostitute.

Although the plotline was devised from a typewriter, there are many scenes that were taken directly from the Bible. Dafoe is extraordinary while chasing out the moneychangers, raising Lazereth from the dead, healing the blind, and marching into Jerusalem amid palms to begin Holy Week.

What carried this film more than any other aspect was its cast. Scorsese should have had no problem turning out a winner with this line up of talent. Hershey is a talented actress, and putting Keitel as the original Benedict Arnold highlighted the role. The real prize, however, is the portrayal done by Dafoe. Having since sunk into mediocracy, Dafoe shines in this role as the savior of the world. Proving that at some point in his life, he could act well enough to carry a film.

As in all of Scorsese's films, the plot is solid, giving the players enough room to explore their characters deeply. This is one of the aspects that becomes apparent to the audience and makes for comfortable storytelling.

An odd twist in the end allows this movie to stand out from others, but the outcome is up to you to find out, because this movie is easily available as a rental. The story of Jesus is exceptional from any point of view, and there is no exception here. Overall, *The Last Temptation of Christ* earns four out of five Bibles, an exceptional film, yet lacking the bite it needs to drive its point home.

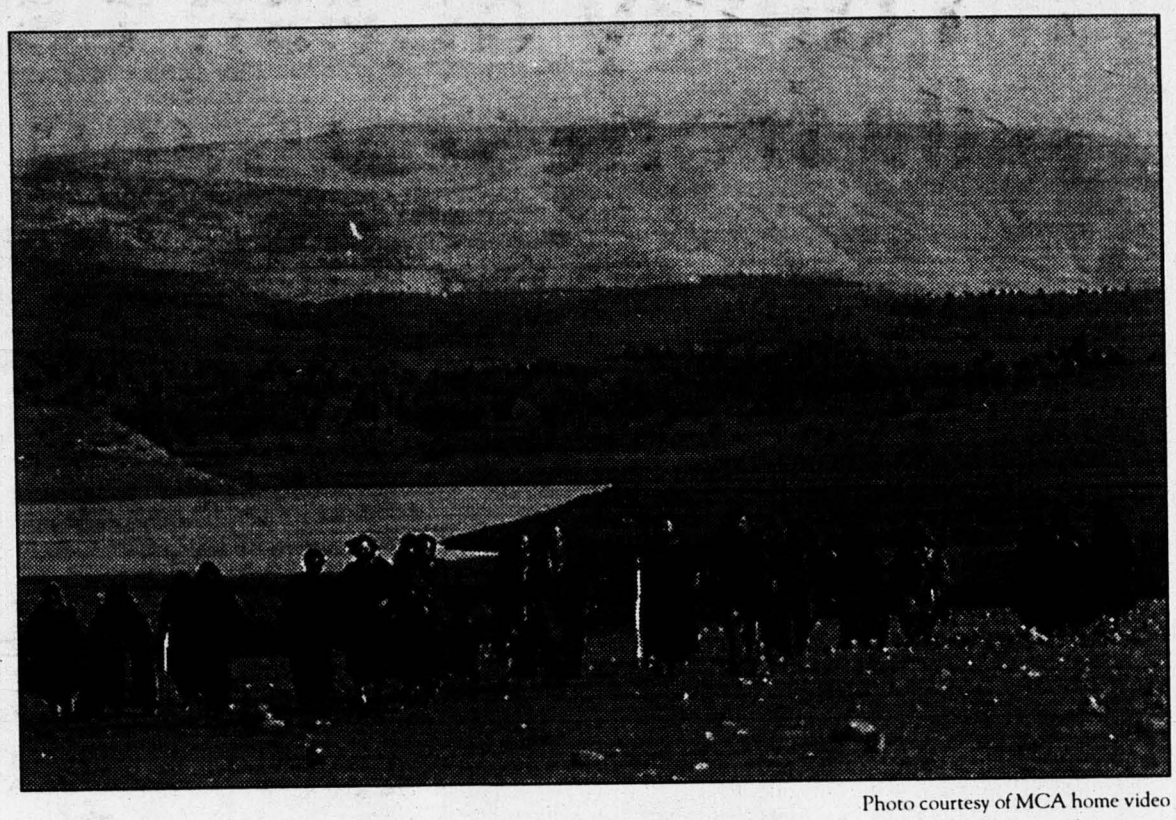


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Along the Sea of Galilee, the apostles of Jesus walk in the 1988 Martin Scorsese film, *The Last Temptation of Christ*. Aside from the pages of the Bible, the story, adapted from Nikos Kazantzakis' book, attempts to point out the humanistic side of the son of God, alleging an affair between him and Mary Magdalene.

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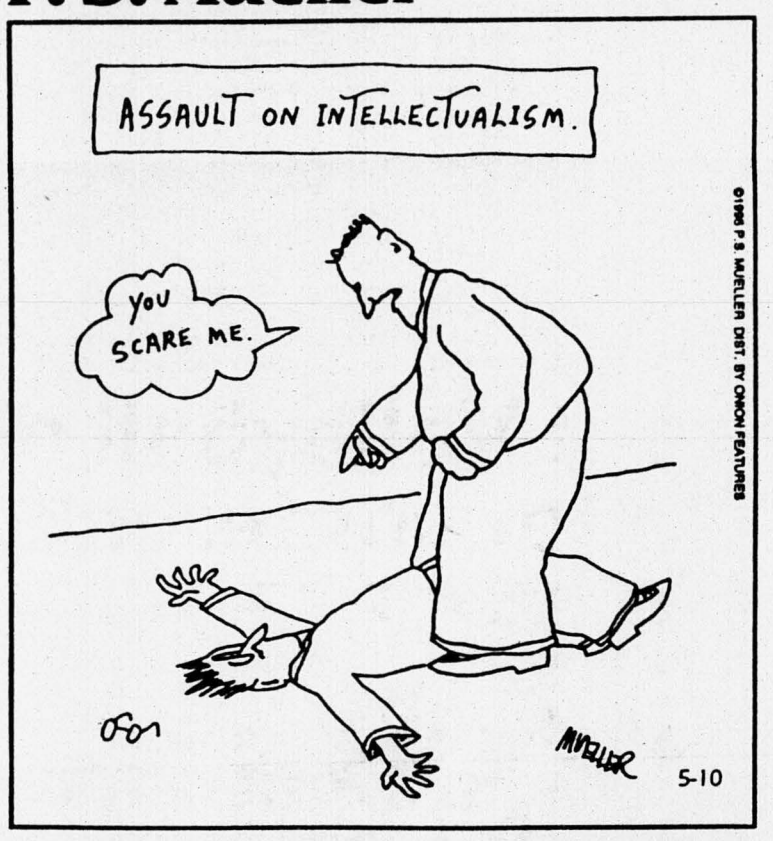
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Rain delay doesn't stop the Blue Devils from storming St. Ambrose

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

September weather always has been successful in killing off pesky insects, and last Saturday at Nelson Field, Mother Nature played her part in a 27-22 Blue Devil victory over the St. Ambrose Fighting Bees. After a two-and-a-half hour delay due to lightning storms and high winds, the Devils returned to a soggy field to take the sting out of a long night with a last-minute touchdown to seal the win.

St. Ambrose came out in a frenzy, gaining 53 yards on their first drive and putting points on the board early in the first quarter. But Stout was close behind, with Shawn Lund gaining 35 yards on the ground, and receivers Jesse Diaz and Billy Busch pulling down 33 yards in passing from Matt Bunyan. A short pass to Lund recorded the first touchdown for the Blue Devils, and from then on, the Bees were busy playing catch-up after every Stout score.

Early in the second quarter, both teams lacked efficiency, making only short gains and punting the ball away after several missed attempts at a first down. On St. Ambrose's first drive of the quarter, defensive end Ehrich Shaw handed the Fighting Bees quarterback Joe Austin a loss of 12 yards with the first of five Blue Devil sacks. Less than seven minutes later, a costly off-sides penalty against the Blue Devils put St. Ambrose in position to score their first touchdown of the game and take the lead at 13-7 with eight minutes left in the half. Bunyan's short passes inched the Devils ever closer to a second touchdown. With one minute left in the half, he carried the ball across the last yard and into the end zone. A failed PAT attempt left the half-time score tied at 13.

The rain delay during half-time thinned the crowd in the stands from about 4,000 to 40 and gave the players plenty of locker room time to prepare for the second half. At about 11 p.m. the third quarter was under way, despite a light rain and a somewhat sloppy field.

After St. Ambrose pushed Stout to a loss of 30 yards and earned a safety for two points, the Blue Devils completed their longest drive of the game. A 14-play attempt, including four first downs, proved futile after Bunyan was sacked, and Stout was given a holding penalty at the one-yard line. Stout was lucky to put points up before the end of the third quarter when Tom Schaffner returned a 26-yard punt all the way back to paydirt for their third touchdown.

St. Ambrose echoed Stout's good fortune four minutes into the fourth quarter. Aided by two more Stout penalties, the Bees floated into the end zone to set the score at 22-21 in their favor. A blocked field goal attempt and one intercepted pass from Bunyan tightened the Bees' grip on the win, but with three minutes of opportunity left, Stout made a quick move for the victory. This time St. Ambrose donated a 16-yard penalty to the Blue Devil cause, putting Stout on the 38-yard marker and giving Bunyan plenty of room for completions to Diaz and Ryan Patt. With 52 seconds remaining on the clock, Lund rushed the last three yards, suffocating St. Ambrose and leaving them with just enough time to make a beeline off the field.

UW-Stout Head Coach Ed Meierkort attributes St. Ambrose's ability to come back after every Blue Devil scoring play to mistakes and missed opportunities. "We let them off the hook. Our receivers weren't playing well, giving away penalties and breaking off their routes."

Where the offense was lacking, the Blue Devil defense more than made up for it, holding the Bees ground game to just 12 yards in 35 attempts, and getting in the way to force a loss of 61 yards rushing. "Our defense against the run was outstanding," Meierkort said. He was also impressed by key plays from Lund, plays that made him this week's WIAC Defensive Player of the Week.

The Blue Devils begin conference play at home against WIAC preseason favorite UW-La Crosse this Saturday at 7 p.m. After playing three non-conference games against solid Division II teams, the Blue Devils are ready to take on tough teams in the WIAC. Meierkort believes the win over St. Ambrose may foreshadow what to expect from the Eagles, considering that St. Ambrose was coming off a win against Drake, who had just beaten La Crosse, when Stout handed them the loss.

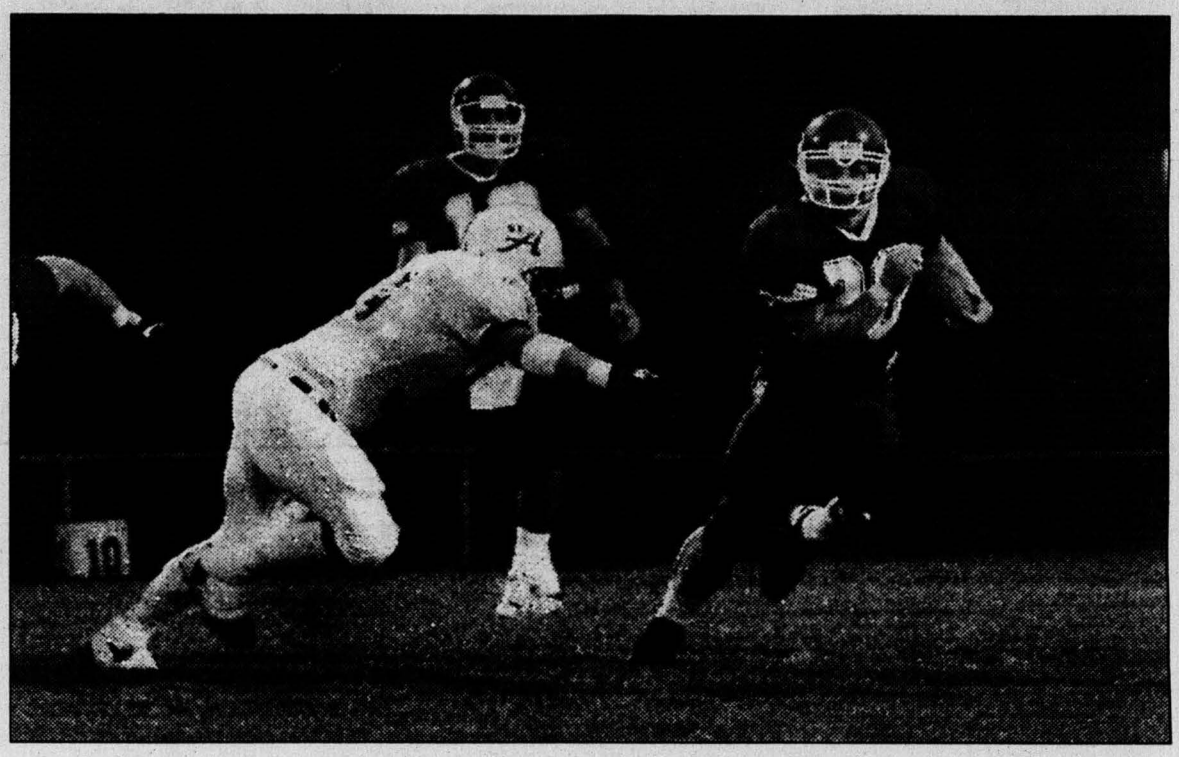


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Runningback Shawn Lund escaped a tackle with only seconds remaining in the game as quarterback Matt Bunyan looked on. For his efforts to bring the Blue Devils to another win, Lund was named Stout's Offensive Player of the Week. Lund rushed for a game high 127 yards on18 carries and caught three passes for 26 yards and one touchdown. Bunyan also received honors as *USA Football* magazine's pick for National Division III Offensive Player of the Week.

Stout Volleyball digs out a win for conference opener

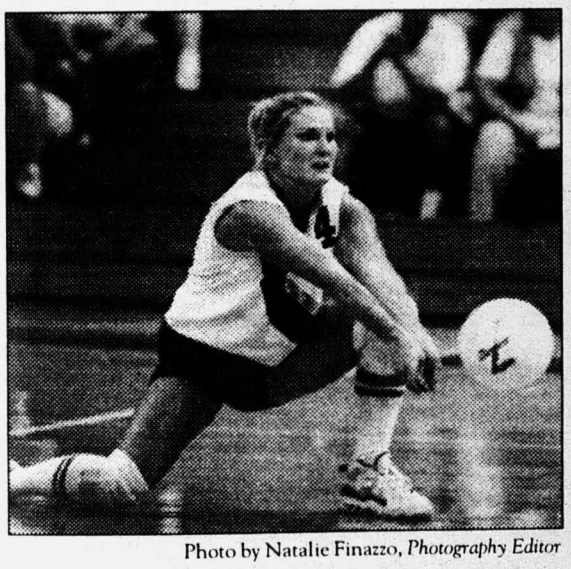


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Heather Cassell, a returning starter from Lake Geneva, WI, added 18 kills to her career totals this week in games against UW La-Crosse, UW-Platteville, and Winona State University. With the conference season under way, Cassell and her teammates are enjoying a 5-3 overall record.

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

This weekend's pair of games to open WIAC play for the Blue Devils Volleyball Team brought a tough battle against UW-La Crosse, followed by what in comparison seemed like a walk in the park against UW-Platteville.

Sept. 18

They were strong in the beginning and put up a tough fight in the end, but the UW-Stout Volleyball Team eventually fell to UW-La Crosse, 3-1, last Friday in Menomonie.

The Blue Devils controlled the first game behind five kills by both Heather Cassell and Stacy Stoddard. Stoddard was very tough in the fourth game, and according to Coach Jill Jolliff, she was a force that allowed Stout to keep within reach during the La Crosse match. While the games remained close, with scores of 5-15, 15-10, 15-13, and 15-12, there was not one single play that determined the loss to La Crosse. "It was a very tough fight," Jolliff said. "They just had more things go right for them than we did."

Stout's scoring was led by Stoddard, totaling 17 kills, while Cassell and Team Captain Tori Feit each contributed 11.

Sept. 19

The Blue Devils put in a short day of work against UW-Platteville to notch their first conference win by beating the Pioneers 15-7, 15-7, 15-13 at home last Saturday.

The team rolled off two consecutive 15-7 wins and then struggled to maintain their lead in the last game, letting the Pioneers get as close as 13-11 before pulling away with the win.

The Blue Devils were led by Feit with 15 kills and Stoddard with 14. According to Jolliff, expect to see quality work on the court from Stoddard which may, not surprisingly, earn her a few honors in the postseason.

Sept. 22

After struggling through games three and four, the Volleyball Team downed the Winona State Warriors to bring their record to 5-3 overall.

Stoddard finished the match with 18 kills. Feit added 13 of her own, while Monica Cyrus and Heather Cassell contributed 13 kills apiece.

This Saturday and Sunday, the team travels to rival territory to take on Hamline University, UW-Eau Claire, and UW-Superior at the Eau-Claire Invitational. Coach Jolliff expects the toughest game to come from the Eau Claire squad, but her outlook is optimistic. "Obviously we'd love to be in the championship game. I think that's going to be very possible."

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Soccer

Sept. 19

UW-Whitewater's Tiffany Straukas scored in the final minute of play to lift the Warhawks over UW-Stout, 2-1 at the River Heights Elementary School field.

After a scoreless first half, the Warhawks scored at the 56:29 mark.

The Blue Devils returned the favor seven minutes later when Alyssa Halverson took a pass from Beth Bushman for the score.

With time running down, Straukas took a shot that bounced in front of the Stout net and trickled across the line for the deciding goal.

Stout had several opportunities in the final minutes of play, but each time came up just short.

Sept. 20

The team suffered the worst defeat in Blue Devil soccer history, falling 10-1 to UW-Stevens Point in a WIAC match-up at Stevens Point.

The Pointers shot early and often, outgunning the Blue Devils, 36-6. The Pointers' Hope Wadel proved to be the leading sharpshooter, opening up the scoring at the 13:29 mark, the first of her three goals.

Stout goalkeeper Nikki Bezak made 12 saves before leaving the game, but the Pointers capitalized on rebounds, scoring six times on her.

Stout did manage to save from being shutout when Alyssa Halverson scored at the 71 minute mark. Carrie Blaska recorded the assist.

The Blue Devils will regroup before facing UW-River Falls Thursday at 4 p.m. at the River Heights School field.

Tennis

The score may not be pretty, but UW-Stout Women's Tennis Coach Craig Monson was pleased with the effort, as Stout dropped an 8-1 decision to Bethel College, Saturday at the Menomonie High School courts.

Monson singled out Ann Jackson, who played her first match at No. 1 singles. Jackson took Becca Robertson to three games falling 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.

Sarah Lundquist was the only Stout player to register a win, needing three sets to down Christina Bergman at No. 2 singles.

The Blue Devils return to action Friday, Sept. 25 when they host UW-Oshkosh at 3 p.m. and Macalester College, Saturday, Sept. 26 at 10 a.m.

Women's Cross Country

UW-Stout's Katie Jacobson finished second and her teammate Katy Olsen was just off her pace as she finished fourth at the St. Olaf Invitational Saturday in Northfield, MN.

The Blue Devils, who were ranked 13th in the latest national poll, placed seventh in the meet. The Blue Devils ran without three runners due to injury or illness. St. Olaf won the

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Vikings on the prowl after third consecutive win

by Rich Spicer
Sports Columnist

The key to defeating the Lions is stopping Barry Sanders from running away with the game. Last week the Vikings did just that, managing to contain him, close the seam, and often push him back for negative yardage. Overall, the purple defensive machine held Sanders to just 69 yards. Putting this feat into perspective, Sanders went into last week's game chasing a record of 16 consecutive games in which he ran for at least 100 yards. The Vikings brought his streak to a halt when they buried the Lions in a 29-6 victory last Sunday.

The final score speaks for itself, but I would be quick to point out one notable influence the numbers don't reflect: Lion rookie quarterback Charlie Batch. Although he was responsible for a couple of interceptions and a fumble which led to a Vikings touchdown, he made a respectable showing, staying both poised and decisive, and leading the Lions to a half-time tie at two field goals apiece. Unfortunately for Batch and his Lions, their number was almost up.

The second half belonged to the Vikings. Randal Cunningham completed a touchdown pass to Randy Moss and allowed for a Leroy Hoard run into the end zone. Also deserving of a little slice of glory is kicker Gary Anderson who put five field goals through the uprights, accounting for 15 Viking points.

However, most crucial to the win was the Viking defense. They managed to stay with it and keep their heads in the game. They kept containment on Sanders and forced three turnovers and five sacs on the day. If they can hold that pace, then they have a real shot at seeing more than one or two postseason games.

The Vikings have many weapons. One often hears about the dynamite receiving core, the running capability of Robert Smith, and, of course, the fine selection of quarterbacks which now includes veteran quarterback Jay Fiedler. Fiedler signed Monday for the third string position behind Todd Bouman.

Overlooked, though, are the changes made in the Vikings backfield. Defensive backs Robert Griffith and Jimmy Hitchcock are both off to fabulous starts this season, each sporting three and two interceptions respectfully, good enough for a first and second rating in the NFC.

Also on the list, tied with several players for fourth, are Corey Fuller and Torrison Gray, with one interception apiece. With a strong backfield, coupled with a crushing defensive line, led by such notables as John Randle and Ed McDaniel, the Vikings are finally starting to bring the kind of defensive threat to the field that is necessary to contend with such giants as the Packers and the Cowboys.

Looking ahead to next week, we see a match up with the 0-3 Chicago Bears. This is a club going through some rough times as coaching changes and a few unlucky breaks have left them at the short side of three relatively close games. Adding insult to injury is Monday's announcement that Bears' kicker Todd Sauerbrun is out with a torn ligament in his knee. This potentially season ending injury is especially heartbreaking, arriving at the start of what was expected to be a personal best season for Sauerbrun.

Sunday's game will give all of us anxious fans a small peek at what may be in store later this season. The Vikes are going in against a team they should beat and are doing so while, riding high on a three game winning streak. Now is the time when we will see if they can stick with it when things are going well and not throw away what few opportunities they come across in this season's tough schedule. I'm optimistic, but until next week, I'll keep my fingers crossed.

A plea to his royal air-ness

Hey MJ, tell me the truth. Would you rather stay home and continue making those lame ass commercials for Ballpark Franks and Energizer batteries, or would you prefer to retain your professor title at the Chicago Bulls Night School, teaching Ass-whooping 101? You kick the crap out of all the pretenders to the throne every night with such ease and gracefulness, it's hard to . . . what?

Oh yeah, I'm that guy who used to make prank calls to you and referred to you as the one old man that just won't stay at the old folks' home. That's all done with now. You demand respect, and you play with it as well. You showed me the error of my ways now that you've won three titles in the past five years since your "hiatus." You grew older gracefully, and now I'm one of the many fans asking you to stay.

You were the stitching that held together the previously eviscerated Chicago Bulls, helping them to retain their foothold on basketball. You came back to dry Pippen's tears, to save Phil Jackson from an early heart attack, and to pry the Ben and Jerry's ice cream from the fingers of deflated Jerrys Reinsdorf and Krause.

Even as a baseball player, we knew you were the one quiet guy who stayed after hours at the local YMCA, turning the lights out and locking up around 4 a.m., 'cause you knew you left too soon and needed basketball. It was your drug. I bet the cold sweats at five in the morning were hell, huh?

Hey man, remember the time that Jerry Krause walked in front of the team bus, and you turned to Pippen and said, "Pip, for $5 I'll step on the gas." You wild boy! I woulda done it for $2 and a handful of pop rocks.

Penny Hardaway still blushes at the memory of being pants-ed in front of all those fans in the All-Star game a few years ago. As if the boy didn't have enough trouble playing with that no-talent hack, rapping fool Shaq. What the hell's with that anyway? Is he thinking people will actually buy his CD for something other than laughs? Nah. You need to be there just to keep the trophy out of his hands.

Justin Thompson
sports columnist

Besides, ball'n would be so dull without trying out the latest moves we saw you do on "SportCenter" the night before. I still haven't figured out the reverse hand lay-up you do so routinely, but I got the fall-away down pat. Aside from me and all my friends, look at all the kids out there that you have indelibly put your heart and soul upon with your never-say-die attitude.

Most of my generation has entered the colleges and even jumped right to the pros using your work ethic. Not one of them can deny that their basketball roots stem from you in some way. My own godson has Michael Jordan sheets, shirts, action figures, hats, shoes, and posters for God's sake. He is just beginning to be able to consciously remember seeing you play, and his parents and I hope to give him a visual to go along with the tall tale that is your career. At every end you beat the odds, no matter what the cost. By the way, are you the other son of Krypton?

Anyway, don't let kids these days grow up idolizing street corner pimps-turned ball players like Allen Iverson and Nick Van Exel. You have to stay just a bit longer to beat some more manners into those punks. And Mike, the next time you have Iverson backed into the hoop post with your hand around his neck, ask him what the hell that cornfield he calls a head is all about.

Ya gotta stay, Mikey, and teach the future torch carriers like Vin Baker, Stephon Marbury, and Michael Finley how to play with fear and play well. Somehow you bend both into your game, creating a superhuman being we see fearlessly driving to the hoop everyday, a bad ass bald guy that won't lie down for anything, and who is so fluid he doesn't even hit the inside of the net on his swishes.

Keep exuding confidence like the sweat you wring out of your body on a quarterly basis. Get the new guys to come in and play with the boyhood love that you display every game. Teach them how to pat your opponent on the shoulder and tell him to keep that fire, then let him burn you to a crisp on a jump shot for the sake of his confidence. No player but you can get away with telling other players, "It's okay to suck," without the fist following soon after the comment.

Keep those doubters in the stands set up with shouts of "dumb-ass" when they lose faith and tell you that you're too old to stay up. Be the first player to play with a cane and still whoop ass. If the day ever comes, show the world how to lose the big one and still maintain your grace (see Brett Favre). I know the PGA Tour is calling, but put it off for another five years. We all love ya, even the doubters and haters, so stay.

But before I go, do me a favor: tell Rodman to just join the circus and get it over with. And above all costs, keep beating Iverson's ass.

The Agenda

Women's Soccer

Sept. 30	Martin Luther College	4:30 p.m., home

Volleyball

Sept. 25-26	UW-Eau Claire Tournament	TBA, at Eau Claire

Women's Tennis

Sept. 25	UW-Oshkosh	3 p.m., home

Men's Cross Country

Sept. 26	Roy Griak Invitational	TBA, in Minneapolis

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meet, while UW-Superior's Sarah Anderson took medalist honors.

The Blue Devils are off until Oct. 2 when they split their squads and send one group to Colfax to compete in the UW-Eau Claire Invitational and one to the Loyola University Lakefront Invitational in Chicago, Ill. on Oct. 3.

Men's Soccer

Sept. 19

It took St. Cloud 78 minutes to slip through the Devil defenders for a goal, resulting in the first loss of the season for the Blue Devils. Stout rallied in the waning moments, but was unable to penetrate the Husky defense.

Sept. 20

In a very winnable game, Stout faltered against Mankato State, settling for a 1-1 draw. Captain Todd Demerit, with a valiant solo effort, scored the Devil goal in the first half. The soccer team will take on Michigan Tech and Stevens Point this weekend at Phalen Park, at 1 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

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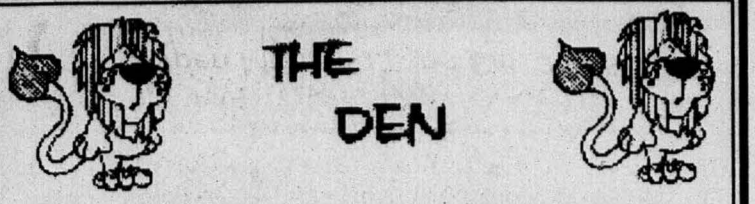
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Final stage of construction in sight

■ As construction continues, traffic will be temporarily rerouted through Menomonie as Crescent Street receives a face lift

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

ROAD CONSTRUCTION NEXT THREE MILES...DETOUR AHEAD. These are not unfamiliar signs to most, especially in the spring and summer months. The town of Menomonie has endured its share of construction woes the past few years, as Menomonie has been working to renovate downtown. The results are quite impressive thus far. However, more of these same signs will be seen this coming spring and summer.

Reconstruction of Crescent Street is the next and final stage of the downtown renovation project. The construction is scheduled to begin as soon as weather permits in April of 1999. The construction will be completed in two stages. The first stage will close Crescent Street to traffic from the radio station on Broadway to the Fourth Street and Crescent intersection. The second stage will occupy Crescent from Fourth Street to Ninth Street. The first stage is charted to be completed by June 12 if all goes as planned. The second stage will then begin shortly after the completion of stage one and is tentatively scheduled to be completed by Labor Day.

The state of Wisconsin together with the city of Menomonie will be funding this large ground-breaking project. State funds will account for approximately 72 percent of this project and Menomonie will take care of the difference. Cedar Corporation of Menomonie has compiled all the engineering plans for this rather significant project. Mike Stoffel of Cedar Corporation is the chief engineer at Cedar Corporation and has acquired the assistance of Hoffman Construction of Black River Falls, WI to perform the manual labor.

Cedar Corporation and Hoffman Construction will be aided in this project by Main Street Menomonie. Established in 1990, Main Street Menomonie is a company whose sole function is to organize and promote the revitalization of downtown Menomonie. Main Street Menomonie serves as chief mediator and communicator between the construction company, the inspection agency, and the people of Menomonie, including both students and citizens. In addition to communication, Main Street Menomonie will be working with the city to ensure that there is sufficient parking available for visitors and for making sure these areas are accessible to the public.

Due to the nature of the reconstruction, traffic will be rerouted through other parts of Menomonie. During the first stage, the main detour will be located in the area encompassing Main Street to Broadway and vice versa. The second stage of construction will be located heavily on Broadway, 13th Avenue, and 9th Street to accommodate traffic.

The reconstruction of Crescent Street is not only designed to enhance the visual appearance of downtown Menomonie, but also to make it safer to travel for pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles on Crescent Street. In the beginning, the construction will undoubtedly cause traffic headaches, but the end result is sure to make those potential migraines distant memories.

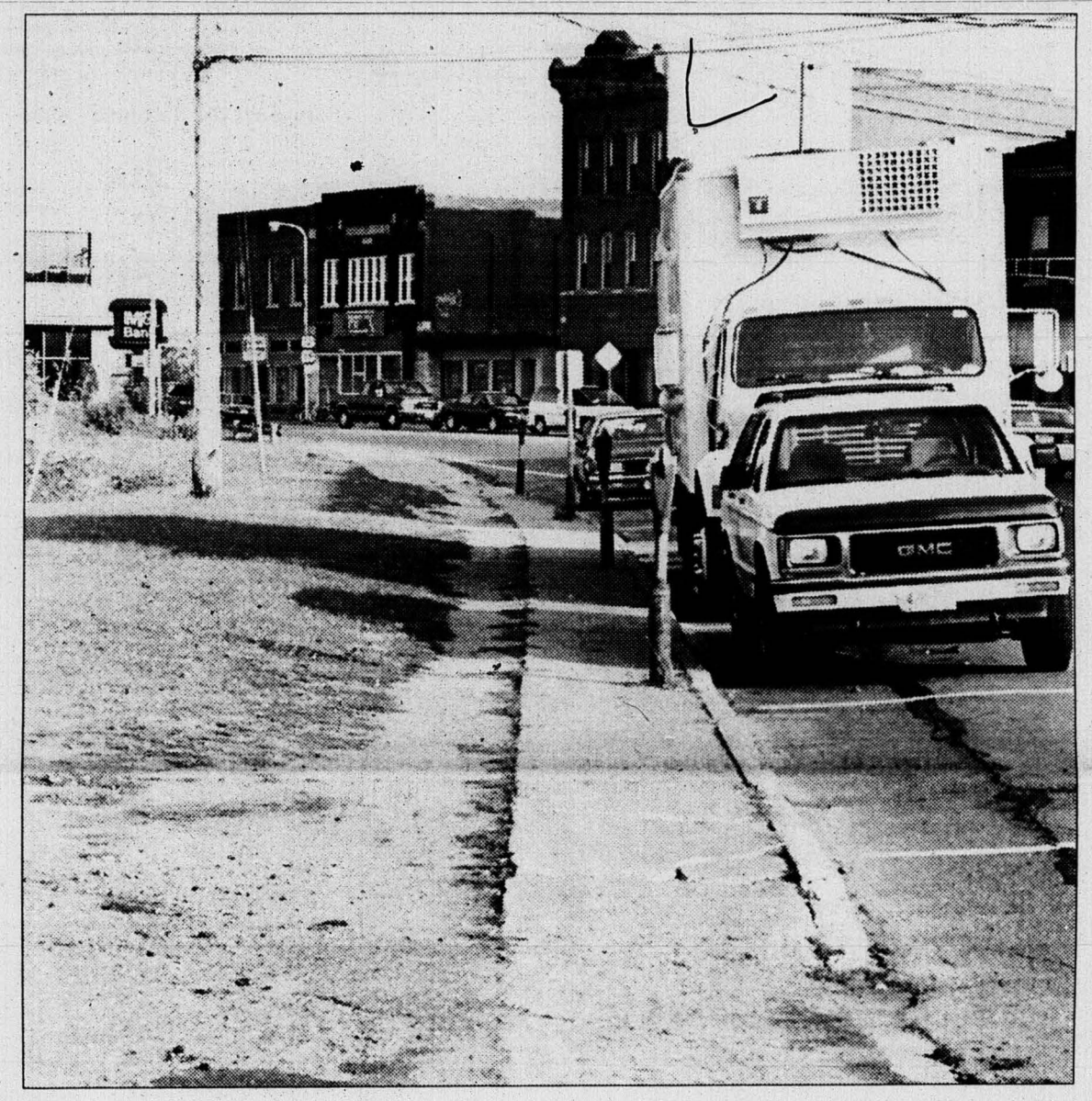


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The reconstruction scheduled to begin (as weather permits) in April 1999 will focus on the reconstruction of Crescent Street. This is the final stage of the Menomonie construction project to further enhance the visual appearance of downtown Menomonie. The aim is to make travel for pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles safer and more efficient.

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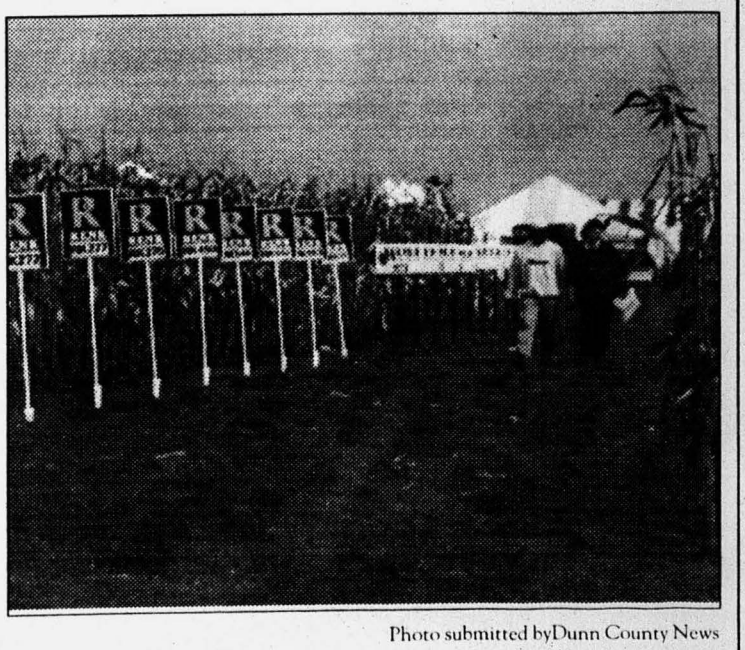


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The 44th Annual Farm Progress Days, Wisconsin's largest agricultural show, was held in Dunn County from Sept. 22 through Sept. 24 for the first time since 1962.

Opportunities abound at Annual Career Conference

by Colleen Brennan
News Editor

One big concern for many college students across the country is obtaining a job after investing many years of hard work and money into their higher education. To address these concerns, UW-Stout Placement and Co-op Services is hosting the 20th Annual Career Conference from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Oct. 13, 14, and 15 in the Memorial Student Center.

To market possible job openings to students, 327 employers from 23 states will attend the three-day conference. Like last year, nonprofit organizations, who may be hiring graduates from the human services and education programs, have been invited to attend this conference. Also, more than 100 UW-Stout students will be volunteering their time to ensure the conference runs smoothly.

The conference is set up so each day will feature different employers categorized by majors. Tuesday, Oct. 13 will feature Technology and Engineering industries, Applied Math and Telecommunications. Wednesday, Oct. 14 Retail, Business, Art and Design, Human Services, and Education majors will be attending. Thursday, Oct. 15, Hotel and Restaurant, Dietetics, and Food Service industries will be featured.

The objective for Career Conference 1998 is to provide students with an opportunity to meet employers from many locations on an informal basis where students can gather information about employer expectations, professional image, interview procedures, and effective interviewing skills. Students can also obtain information about co-op and full-time employment opportunities and will be able to register for on-site interviews without embarking on a road trip or acquiring any long-distance phone charges. Many Stout alumni will be attending the Career Conference as employers. "Alumni are usually really eager to talk with students. The hands-on education and strong work instilled here at Stout are important qualities employers search for. We have many returns each year and the conference is still growing as a result of the continuing quality employers can find within the students at Stout," says Cheryl Lowery, student service coordinator at Placement and Co-op Services.

For more information contact UW-Stout's Placement and Co-op Services Office in Bowman Hall at x-1601 or information is also available on the Placement and Co-op Services home page at www.uwstout.edu/place/homepage.html.

Police Beat

Compiled by Colleen Brennan News Editor

Criminal damage

Sometime between Sept. 17 and Sept. 20 some unknown person(s) badly vandalized a student's blue, men's Murray 1 speed bicycle while it was locked outside the Applied Arts building. The back tire was badly bent and the basket in front pulled off. Damage is estimated at $30. There are no suspects at this time, and no one was given permission to damage said bicycle.

Suspicious business

On Sept. 21 a suspicious piece of paper was turned over to Police from first floor Oetting Hall. The paper read "For a good time call Lady Leir" and included a telephone number. The paper was attached to the bathroom wall. Police spoke with male subjects in the lobby who had reportedly called the number listed. They told Police the male subject answering said Lady Leir would cost $200 a night, and that he ran a clean operation. Case is still under investigation.

Stolen property

Sometime between Sept. 24 and Sept. 30, unknown subjects broke the sun roof of a student's 1989 Chev. Z-24 and stole electronic item(s). No one was given permission to remove the item(s).

Suspicious package

On Sept. 21 Police received a complaint from the JTC front desk concerning a suspicious package reportedly smelling of marijuana, which several staff members had noticed. Officers responded to the complaint, and a slight odor was detected, however it was not certain it was contraband. The package was inspected using a drug dog, and the test results were negative. The package was therefore transferred to the resident.

Strange odor

On Sept. 21 hall security from Chinnock Hall reported the odor of marijuana smoke coming from 4th floor. Officers responded and proceeded to the area where the odor was detected. The smell had dissipated by the time officers arrived. Police spoke to residents, but no leads were attained.

Citation totals

For the week of Sept. 21-29, a total of four citations were given for underage alcohol consumption.

Special reminder

*** October is Crime Prevention Month - "Invest in it!" Visit the Police Open House from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm on Oct. 1.

News Briefs

Compiled by Billy Theyer

Tropical storm George

Pascagoula, Miss. - Hurricane George was downgraded to a tropical storm this past Monday afternoon, but is now posing a new threat to the Gulf Coast. As the storm hit the coast, it stalled and is now threatening to drop 30 inches of rain on the surrounding areas. The storm is moving at a three mile per hour pace to the north and is dropping rain at a one inch per hour rate, which could continue for a couple of days. Two deaths have been reported so far, and several hundred thousand residents across the Gulf Coast have lost power.

Support for Palestine state

United Nations - Palestine leader Yasser Arafat used a U.N. speech this past Monday afternoon to ask world leaders to support Palestine statehood next May, feeling it is the will of the Palestine people. "Our people demand of us to shoulder our responsibilities, and they await the establishment of their independent state." Arafat delivered the speech after returning from Washington, where he held a last minute summit on an Israeli troop pull back from the West Bank. Although Arafat had said previously that he would use Monday's speech to restate his intention of declaring an independent Palestine state next year, sources said that he would tone the speech down in the wake of apparent movement in the peace process.

Cold showers in Australia

Melbourne, Australia - Hundreds of thousands of Australians were crippled this past Monday after a series of explosions disabled a natural gas refinery. Businesses began massive shutdowns and hundreds of thousands of Australians were taking cold showers as a result of the gas shortage. The gas shut off affected 1.4 million households in Australia's Victoria state and could last up to two weeks, State Premier Jeff Kennett said. The multiple explosions, which killed two men and injured eight, tore through Esso's Longford gas plant 110 miles east of Melbourne on Friday. The blaze was finally extinguished on Sunday.

Korean War danger

United Nations - The danger of another Korean War is getting ever more imminent said a North Korean official Monday. In a speech to the U.N. General Assembly, Vice Foreign Minister Choe Su Hon said reunification of the Korean Peninsula would remove the danger of war. He also called the U.S. Army's presence in South Korea "the major obstacle" to reunification. As a result of the military maneuvers against North Korea near the Korean Peninsula, a danger remains that either the 20th Century may put an end to or the 21st Century may open with another Korean War.

University Notes

Compiled by Nicole Heckmann from submitted news releases

Alfresco outing

The Alfresco campus club offers a day of hiking at Beaver Creek Sunday, Oct. 4, as well as horseback riding in River Falls on Sunday, Oct. 18. Find out more at their general meetings, held Wednesdays at 8 p.m. in the White Pine room, lower level of Memorial Student Center or call Kylleen at x-1830.

Technology Education Conference

The College of Technology, Engineering, and Management at Stout will hold its 45th annual conference Friday, Oct. 2 in the Memorial Student Center. Cost for registration is $20 and an additional $6 for lunch, which must be reserved in advance. Additional information is available from Debbie Tenorio, 280 Tech Wing, 232-1274.

MASKS

The Birch Gallery is holding a show Oct. 6-16, compiling works of those surviving domestic violence. Catered opening is Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 4-6 p.m. Artwork is from the Harbor House abuse shelter of Appleton, WI. The Birch Gallery is located on the lower level of the Memorial Student Center and open M-F, 11-6 p.m. Call 232-2504 for more information.

Veterans group

All Veterans interested in joining a new student group for Vets are encouraged to contact the Veteran Coordinator's Office at 232-2121. This group gives Vets a chance to meet other Vets with similar experiences. The organization is open to Vets, Guard/Reserve members, and ROTC candidates who have entered a military contract.

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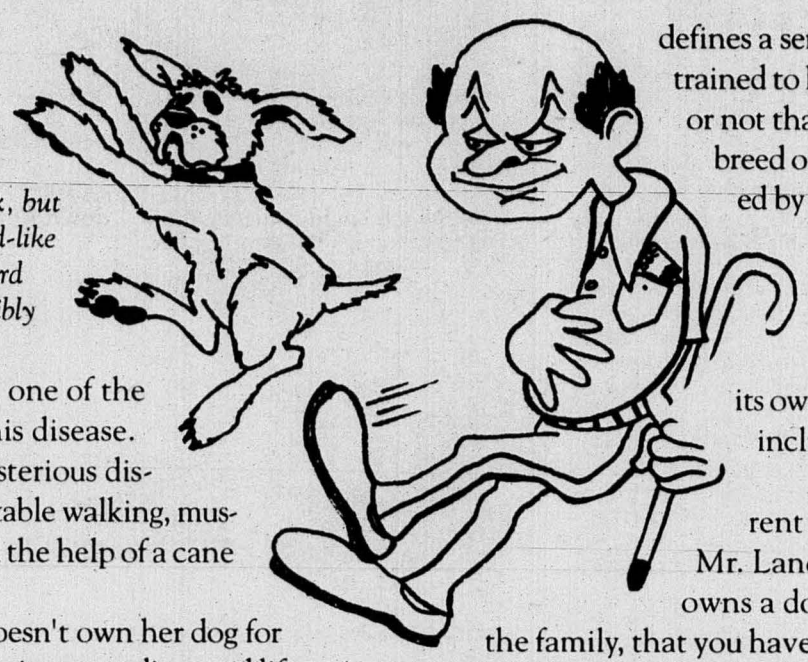
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Editorial

Shame on you!

Victims of circumstance, students are forced to rent from the handful of property owners available in Menomonie and live out their college years in a pathetic re-run of the movie Scrooge.

The landlord just called and demanded a rent check, but suddenly had to run when reminded of that cardboard-like window leaking water late in the night. Think the landlord has just stooped to the pits of the earth and cannot possibly go lower? **Think again.**



A student here has Multiple Sclerosis (MS), one of the estimated 2,500,000 around the world with this disease. "Mary" deals with the impracticality of this mysterious disease - blurred vision, loss of balance, tremors, unstable walking, muscle spasms, numbness, etc. She gets around with the help of a cane and her service dog.

Most could probably figure out that "Mary" doesn't own her dog for just fetching sticks and warming feet. He is a care giver, guardian, and life-saver...but not a pet. Or so say those little things called FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS.

Well, the smart and compassionate people make this distinction, while one Menomonie landlord is coming ever closer to scourge of the year. See, this shameful man has done the unthinkable and kicked "Mary" out of her apartment, with nowhere to go. He doesn't care for puppies, even those life-saving types.

The federal civil rights law states within the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA, Title III, 28 Code of Federal Regulations, sect. 36.104), defines a service animal as any that is individually trained to help a person with a disability, whether or not that disability is apparent. No matter the breed or size (or puppyhood), they are protected by the government. The dogs don't have to wear tags or have their owners prove their "certification" of training. Both this act and Wisconsin statute 174.056 forbid discrimination against a dog and its owner in any public places. This certainly includes your apartment complex.

Further, charging "Mary" additional rent money for the dog is illegal. The fact, Mr. Landlord, that another in your building owns a dog, but just happens to be a friend of the family, that you have been reported to keep things in such bad condition that "Mary" has fallen down steps, and that you have snubbed her pleas, is all beside the point. What is most important here is that **you are breaking the law, committing a federal offense.**

Please heed this advice (and any other property owners unaware of the law), unless you think stripes are your style, and **have a little compassion!** By this time, you must have realized that everything will come back to you. I'm frightened of your karma.

If anyone would like more information on these rights given by law, call the U.S. Department of Justice at 1-800-514-0301. About state and local laws, contact the State Attorney General's Office.

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Workshop turns leadership into a resume builder

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

To all of the people who feel as though they are involved with more extra-curricular activities than can be counted on all digits, there is a pay-off for this insanity. It is a sheet or two of paper commonly known as a resume. Many cringe and sigh at the thought of composing one, yet the need for a job will eventually come into the picture and a resume will be required.

There is a finesse to all this type. One cannot simply ramble on about the meaningless events of life - there must be purpose to the words on this resume. Bill Siedlecki, associate director of the UW-Stout Memorial Student Union, enlightened students Thursday, Sept. 24 on how to recognize the leadership qualities and experiences on a resume. The ULead workshop entitled "Translating Your Leadership Experience to Your Resume," spoke of what employers are looking for in an employee and ways employees can project these qualities to the employer.

As stated in the workshop, employers are not only looking at grade point average (although that was high on the list), but also what the student has learned about themselves and their leadership qualities. People attending were encouraged to look beyond their title or role in their organization and breach what the organization accomplished as a whole while under the leadership of that individual. This includes the process of establishing goals, using the necessary tools to implement those goals, and evaluating whether or not the goals were met. To apply this to the resume, it means the difference between solely stating, "I was president of this organization" to "While president of this organization the goal we reached was...and the process we used was..." This demonstrates to the employer specific skills, experience, and traits that will translate into a good employee.

During the presentation, attendees were asked to brainstorm on specific instances and lessons surrounding leadership experiences in hopes to achieve a better understanding of themselves. Hence the goal of the workshop included this important component. "My hope was to try to frame their thinking to put this down on a resume or an interview," said Seidlecki. Students should recognize the need to market themselves to their employers.

Employers want to see how a person stands out from the crowd. How one is able to portray themselves can be a very good indication of this. When writing a resume, specific performance skills unique to the individual should be expressed. Think of it this way - employers look at an assembly line of monotonous resumes. By using the tools learned at this workshop, one's resume has the ability to be more than just another recycled sheet.

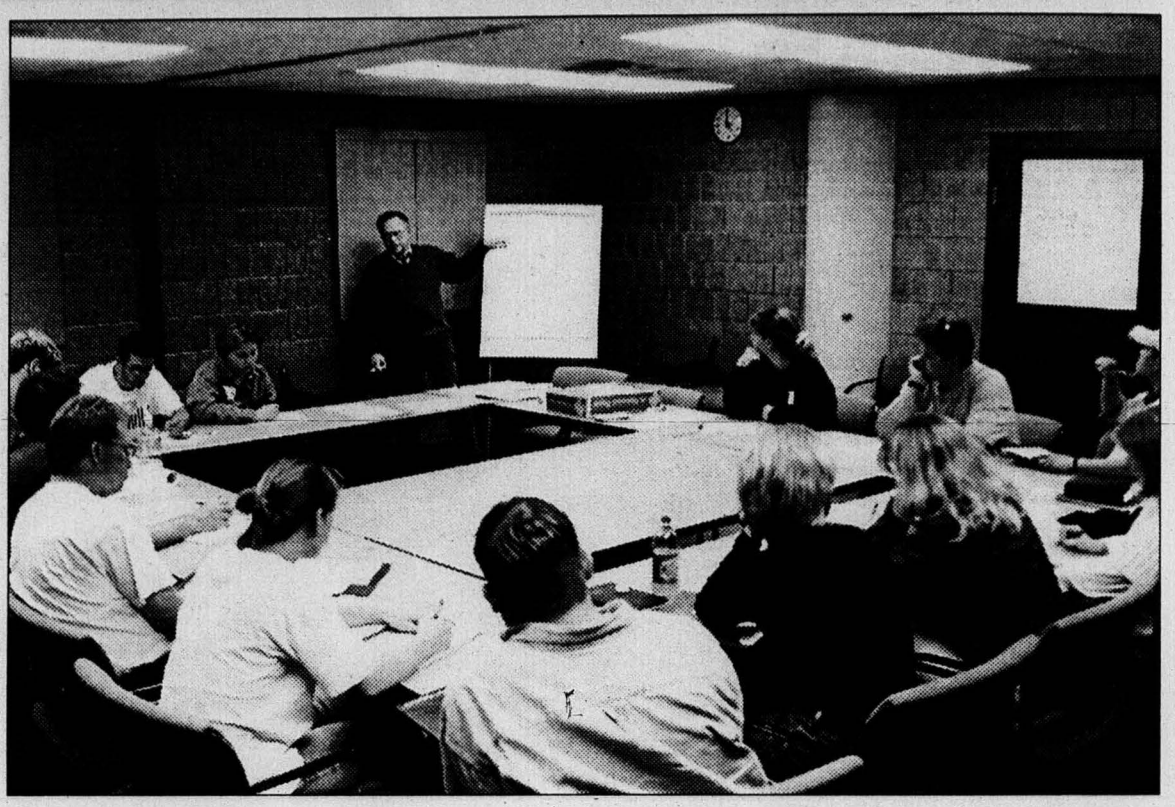


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Students attending the workshop were asked to brainstorm on the specific leadership qualities and experiences which would enable them to stand out from the crowd.

Conference will incorporate the fundamentals of holistic healing

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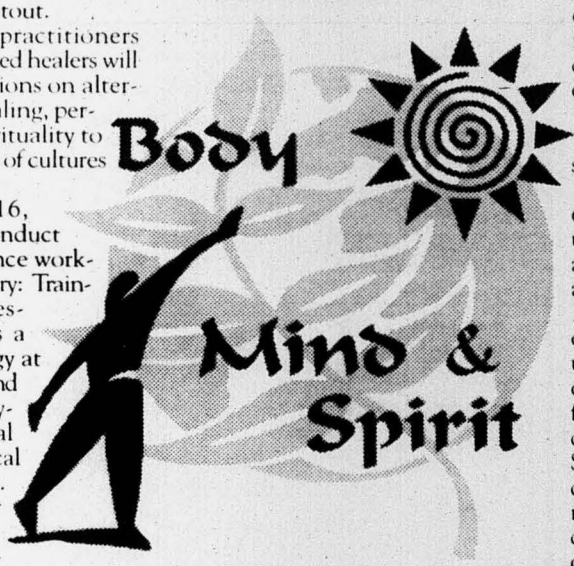
"Healing the Whole Person" is the theme of the second annual Body, Mind, and Spirit Conference to be held Oct. 16-18 in the Memorial Student Center at UW-Stout.

Regional healing practitioners and nationally acclaimed healers will offer experiential sessions on alternative methods of healing, personal growth, and spirituality to participants. A variety of cultures will be represented.

On Friday, Oct. 16, Anees Sheikh will conduct an all-day preconference workshop on "Guided Imagery: Training for Health Professionals." Sheikh is a professor of psychology at Marquette University and clinical professor of psychiatry and behavioral medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin. He is founding editor of the "Journal of Mental Imagry" and past president of the American Association for the Study of Mental Imagry. He has published nine books on imagry.

Lewis Mehl-Madrona will open the main conference on Saturday. Mehl-Madrona is medical director at the Center for Complementary Medicine, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. He is author of "Coyote Medicine," an autobiographical tale of an M.D. who uses his Native American (Cherokee) roots to find what he believes is the true nature of healing. He works as an emergency physician, family doctor, geriatrician, clinical psychologist, and psychiatrist.

On Sunday, Brenda Schaffer and Arapata McKay will present their keynote address, "Bridging the Sacred and Secular Worlds." Arapata, born in New Zealand, will introduce participants to time-tested wisdom, knowledge, and healing techniques of the Maori, Hawaiian, and Lakota. Schaffer, an author, licensed psychologist and certified addiction specialist, will give importance to these experiences from the framework of contemporary psychology.



A total of 46 presenters, including physicians, nurses, psychologists, clergy, body work practitioners, shamans, and psychics will engage participants in sessions related to alternative healing practices. There will be an open exhibit hall with books, alternative therapy options, experiential work with massage therapists, psychics and others.

On Saturday evening, a musical concert will be provided by Tom and Mira Kehoe from Minneapolis.

The intended audience for the conference includes traditional healers, alternative healers, persons seeking healing, professionals and students in medicine and psychology, clergy or anyone with an interest in the topics of the conference.

Cost of the preconference workshop is $75 before October and $95 until Oct. 16. The main conference is $128 before Oct. 3 and $153 until Oct. 17. One-day fees are also available. Lunches and materials are included.

The conference may be used for one or two undergraduate or graduate credits in association with a course taught by conference cofounders, Tom Franklin, UW-Stout's department of psychology, and Bob Salt, Stout's department of human development, family living and community educational services. If students attend the conference for one or two credits, the cost decreases to $45. Registration must be done by Thursday, Oct. 1. Exceptions may be made for late entries.

To register or for more information, contact the Office of Continuing Education, 140 Vocational Rehabilitation Building, UW-Stout, Menomonie, WI 54751, phone 715-232-2693.

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Faculty Profile: Jerry Bowker



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by Emily Kores
Staff Reporter

Radiant flower gardens are surrounding; their colors and textures are lush with variety. Is this a tropical paradise? No, rather the gardens through the campus of UW-Stout. The campus is privy to not a few, but many flower gardens and scenic landscaping.

While the rural location of Menomonie gives the Stout campus much of the scenic landscaping that other urban campuses lack, much of the campus's beauty is due to gardener and artist-in-residence Jerry Bowker. He has been working on the UW-Stout grounds crew for 10 years and for several years has been solely responsible for the design of all of the university's flower gardens. He has also contributed heavily to much of the additional landscaping on campus.

Bowker, age 54, had previously been an Ad-junct teacher in the UW-Stout art department. Bowker, who describes himself as a "back-to-the-land-hippie" sees many parallels between what he taught in the art department and the work he does on the grounds crew. "I feel this [teaching art] was relative because I was working with design and color theory...I think of flowers like a palette, their colors, their textures."

In the past five years through the economic downsizing that has affected the Stout grounds crew, Bowker estimates that there are now about 20 gardens, comparatively. Instead of feeling the crunch, He says that he "enjoys the challenge of making things look good despite the diminishing means." The former art teacher then goes on to philosphize, "It's rather like the first time American art really came into its own as an international presence with the abstract impressionists. The young artists in the Depression had to figure out how to paint without colors and experiment with things..."

Some of Bowker's favorites are those flowers which seed back themselves. "Its like nature taking part in the planned garden," he said with a peaceful gleam in his eye. He also particularily enjoys petunias, which he cites as a complete color palette in themsleves.

When probed on the negative aspects of campus horticulture, Bowker makes reference to the "Thursday night vandalism" that frequently includes ripped out trees and litter. His eyes sadden when he speaks of the little junipers that were just ripped out, lying on the ground.

When taking that next trip through the campus, take time to stop and smell the flowers and also to appreciate those who make it happen.

Flipmode features rising talent

In a trend that has caught on like Adidas necklace-key chains, solo rappers have combined their efforts in group CDs. Previous efforts have been highly successful, citing Wu-Tang Clan (Raekon, Inspecta Deck, O. D. B., etc.), Def Squad (Eric Sermon, Keith Murray, and Redman), and Westside Connection (Ice Cube, Mack 10, and W.C.). These groups have pooled together huge names in an attempt to boost album sales.

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Corey Klein

Never to be left out of the mix, Busta Rhymes recently released his group collaboration, "The Imperial," featuring the talents of six artists, under the pseudonym of the Flipmode Squad. The 16 track set runs like a typical Rhymes release, including in-between song interludes, limited sampling, and straight forward lyrics.

His five partners in crime add flavor to the release, some having the talent to make it on their own. Rampage lacks dynamic skill, which can come with experience, but is hard hitting - a natural asset which will aid him in his upcoming career. Behind him talent-wise is the only female in the squad, Rah Digga, who adds depth to the CD, with a more laid-back style. Baby Sham also has the possibility for a breakout of his own, having more dynamics than any of the other latent five.

The real prize in the release, however, is the kingpin himself, Busta Rhymes. One of the most dynamic and inventive rappers today, he continues to redefines rap. The anonymous nature of the group album gives him the opportunity to experiment, sometimes connecting for the long ball and sometimes losing out to the bass sounds.

Spots where the crew wins include the 1-2 punch of *Everybody on the Line Outside* and *Last Night*. The first song features a skit intro and outro, revolving around the New York club scene, while attempting to persuade bouncers to usher them in. This plot is chased by a solid reggae feel on *Last Night*, where Busta expands his horizons. Later in the disc, the ballad *Money Talks* focuses on the age old capitalistic quest for prosperity.

In proof that the squad can hold their own without "King Rhymes," one of the last tracks, *Do For Self*, doesn't feature the ringleader. The duet is an interesting debate between Spliff Star and Baby Sham about always looking out for one's own interests. A dark sleeper, the song may turn out to be the most popular track on the release.

With the amount of experimenting available in this CD, it is not without losses. While Busta tries to hit the right combination, he falters in many songs. This should be of no surprise, as Busta's two solo releases also were spotted with gaps and holes to be filled.

For Rhymes lovers, this CD is a must, but do not expect the spectacular. His talents are diluted amongst his colleagues, as they are too inexperienced to prove that they have award-winning talent. Time may prove wrong, but artists Lord Have Mercy and Spliff Star are deadweight on the release, treading water and sinking.

In a world of impostors, Busta Rhymes will always be a trendsetter. This is apparent within the first tracks of the release, continuously making sounds become more dynamic. The only problem here, as the Imperial Six earn three of five six's, is the lack of diversity of his teammates. They appear stiff as boards, on which is mostly their first ventures into rap. In a few years, when they return for a second round, they should be able to conjure a five out of five rating.



Photo courtesy of Elektra Music Corp.

The Imperial Six, as pictured, also known as the Flipmode Squad, is ready to take the world by storm. From left to right is Lord Have Mercy, Busta Rhymes, Spliff Star, Rah Digga, Baby Sham, and Rampage.

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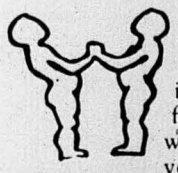
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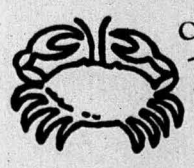
Aries (March 21 - April 19) Today you will be overcome by a desire to learn a new skill, probably knitting. It's never too early to think about Christmas gifts.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Excellent day to sneak around poking people. Don't let them see you.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Today you'll invent some new folding techniques with paper. First you'll start with making simple domestic animals. Later, you'll venture on to several elaborate collections of exotic animals such as the "jungle mates," or the "oceanic friends." Everyone will think they are really cool.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22) A door-to-door salesman will stop by today. Although you won't be entirely sure how you let yourself get talked into it, you'll soon be the first on the block to own a rocket launcher.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You'll decide that you like the name Velma better than your own, and you'll begin to encourage others to call you that. Eventually, you will have your name legally changed.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Good day to use the expression "just dandy" as much as possible. Tomorrow, switch to "okey dokey."



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You will become trapped in the sofa again today. People will laugh and point, but no one will help you out.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) It's an excellent day to visit a bookstore. Try to find a book like, "How to Make Money With Your Own Worm Farm." You don't have to read it, but it would be fun to leave around where people will notice it.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today you will discover that you can entertain your friends by pretending that your hand is a fstetsa spider and you're "walking it along the table." As it turns out, your friends are easily amused.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Ever have one of those incidents where you accidentally "let one slip" during class (usually on an exam day), and to your dismay, the aroma lingers on forever? No? Well, you will today.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Take interest in a new pastime. Obtain a new batch of tadpoles. Raise them as your own. It's really fun and can be very rewarding.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) You've been feeling a bit stressed from the pressures of school lately. Take some time out by yourself and do a little light reading to reduce tension. Get out your "Bartender's Bible" and start educating yourself.

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Quarterbacks make this their year in the WIAC

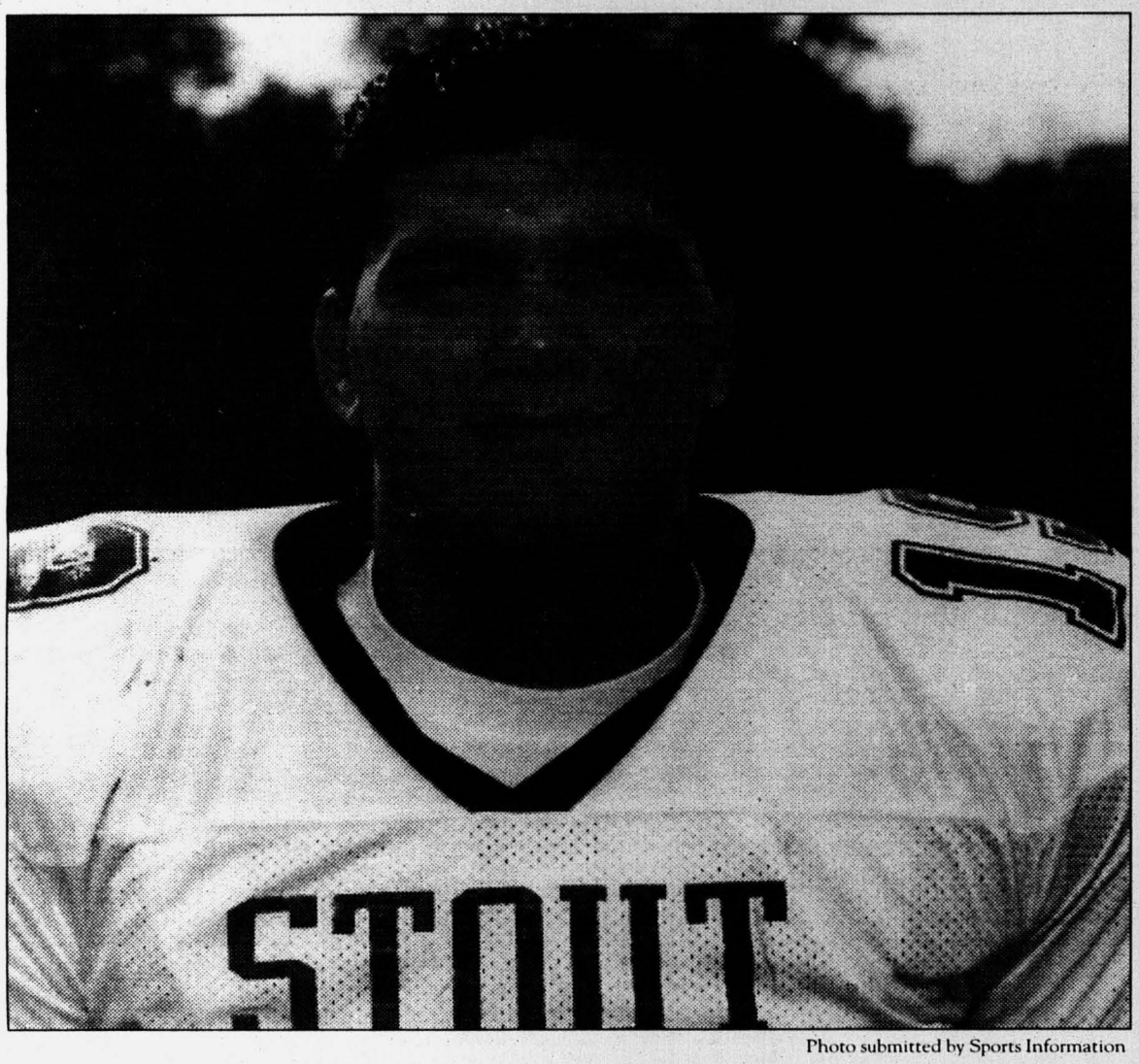


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Despite all of the recognition already this season, Quarterback Matt Bunyan is not alone in the WIAC spotlight. Several quarterbacks around the league return to make this the "year of the quarterback."

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Offensive strategies have made an astounding debute in Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football, which kicks off this Saturday for the Blue Devils. Seven of the eight WIAC teams averaged more than 30 points per game last season, and the majority of them have their field leaders, the quarterback, returning for the 1998 season.

This may be the best crop of quarterbacks at one time in the conference, say observers at this year's WIAC Media Day, calling it the "year of the quarterback."

Six quarterbacks are being pegged as the players to watch: UW-Oshkosh's Brian Tomalak, UW-Stout's Matt Bunyan, UW-Eau Claire's Sean Hoolihan, UW-Whitewater's Ty Grovesteen, UW-Stevens Point's Ryan Aulenbacher, and UW-River Falls' Randy Johnson.

The quarterbacks come in all different sizes, from Bunyan and Aulenbacher, who come in listed at six feet, six inches, to the elusive Hoolihan, who may be six feet, if he gets a boost.

Bunyan, who led the NCAA Division III in total offense last year with 321.6 yards per game, led the Blue Devils to second place in the WIAC with a 5-2 conference record, Stout's best finish since 1965. He was also a first team preseason All-America choice for Street & Smith's *College Football* magazine.

Bunyan was tickled by the preseason attention, but also pushed off the publicity.

"It's very nice to see your name, but even nicer for the university," he said. "If you have good people around you, you are going to get noticed."

He assessed the quarterback situation around the league with similar modesty. "Is it the year of the quarterback?" Bunyan said. "Yes or no. The kid from Eau Claire is a great player. The Oshkosh guy has been doing it. It's him against the world. Stevens Point? He is a big kid. Whitewater had great stats, but he had a great line."

With the glut of quality quarterbacks, the league should be wide open or will it be?

Stout's Head Coach Ed Meierkort expects the defensive units around the league to step up and accept the challenge. "I expect the league average in scoring and yardage to go down," Meierkort said.

See how Bunyan stacks up against La Crosse this weekend as the Blue Devil Football Team starts off the new season of WIAC competition. With so many key players returning to the conference, and UW-Stout returning to the forefront of the conference's "Big Four" teams, UW-La Crosse, UW-Whitewater, UW-Stevens Point, and UW-River Falls, this conference season should be one full of rival and excitement.

Men's Cross Country places high at U of M

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The UW-Stout Cross Country Team has found the fountain of youth. Losing six of their top nine runners from last year, the team will depend heavily on some young legs to remain competitive in the conference this year.

Staying competitive in the conference is always a stiff challenge for the Stout Cross Country Team. Year in and year out, Stout faces some of the best cross country teams in the nation in conference meets. This year is no exception. With five teams ranked in the top 20 nationally and four of those teams in the top 10, Stout has their hands full at each conference meet.

Seventh year Coach Chris Hall is excited about the young and upcoming talent in the program. Coach Hall said the team does not have any specific statistical goals they are striving to meet, but rather focus on growth as a team. Coach Hall feels that the team has had "lots of fun working together" so far.

"I'm most pleased with the chemistry this team has shown," commented Hall. He also feels their willingness to work together will be a great asset to them this season.

Although the team is quite young, they will be relying on several returning runners to lead the team this season. Junior Eric Hanson and sophomore Josh Johnson are two of the returnees who will lead the team this season. Coach Hall feels both Hanson and Johnson are potential All-Conference runners. Some other names to look for include Ethan Webinger, Jamie Block, Todd Johnson, Chris Stevens, Josh Webb, and freshman Clint Latz.

The team just competed in their largest meet of the year thus far last weekend. Taking place at the University of Minnesota, the meet consisted of 32 teams, 11 of which were nationally ranked going into the weekend. Stout finished 13th overall, knocking off top 25 teams including the University of Minnesota-Duluth. Coach Hall was "very pleased" with his team's performance at last weekend's meet.

The season, right now, is equally as young as the team, but Coach Hall feels the team has an excellent chance to surpass last season's final results. "This team is willing to put personal goals aside for the betterment of the team," said Coach Hall of his team. "I believe the chemistry we have in this group will take us a long way."

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Soccer

Sept. 24

Despite being outshot by UW-River Falls, UW-Stout played to a 1-1 tie in a WIAC soccer contest at River Heights Elementary field.

Both teams had opportunities in overtime, but came up short. River Falls outshot Stout, 17-10, for the game and also had twice as many corner kick opportunities.

Following the game, Nikki Bezak was named the WIAC Soccer Defensive Athlete of the Week. She recorded nine saves and allowed one goal.

On the season, Bezak has 67 saves with 14 goals against for a goals against average of 1.87. The Devils are 3-5-1 overall, 1-2-1 in the WIAC and will face UW-Platteville on Saturday, Oct. 3.

Women's Tennis

Sept. 25

Megan Schwanbeck, playing in her first collegiate tennis match, was the only Stout player to notch a win as the Blue Devils fell to UW-Oshkosh, 8-1, at the Menomonie High School courts.

"Megan was a little nervous going in to her first match," said Coach Craig Monson, "but she really worked hard and gutted out the match."

The Blue Devils return to action Saturday when they host UW-Whitewater at 2 p.m.

Men's Soccer

Sept. 26

The Blue Devils controlled the pace of the match well and defeated visiting Michigan Tech 1-0. Chad Elert scored his first goal of the season, legging out a Ryan Fiskewold feed.

Sept. 27

Against a determined Stevens Point team, the Devils eeked out a 1-1 tie, scoring on an unassisted goal. Eric Stapleton, midfielder, paced the game well, keeping Stout in the match. Stout will hit the road this weekend, in Eau Claire on Friday and traveling to La Crosse on Sunday.

Women's Volleyball

Sept. 26

Behind the offensive attack of Stacy Stoddard and Tori Feit, the UW-Stout Volleyball Team finished third at the Lisa Siegenthaler Invitational at UW-Eau Claire.

Both Stoddard and Feit were named to the All-Tournament Team, as the Blue Devils posted a 3-1 tournament record improving overall to 8-4.

The Blue Devils opened the tournament with a sweep of UW-Superior Friday, but fell to the host Blugolds. Stout rebounded Saturday with a three-game win over Hamline, finishing in third place behind Stoddard's 22 kills, over foe UW-Stevens Point.

In the deciding game against the Pointers, Monica Cyrus was the difference, coming alive for seven kills.

Stoddard was named the WIAC Volleyball Athlete of the Week. In 18 games last week, she compiled 84 kills for .357 kill percentage. She also had 22 kills against UW-Stevens Point in leading the Blue Devils to a 4-1 record on the week.

On the season, Stoddard has 184 kills and a hitting percentage of .341. The Devils are 8-4 overall and 1-1 in the WIAC.

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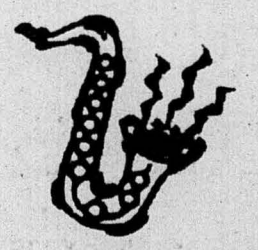
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Pod IV plague wreaks havoc on design students

by Colleen Brennan
News Editor

Part of the largest program on campus, art and design students at UW-Stout are increasingly frustrated by the printing problems, viruses, and "dead" computers that have plagued their computer labs for over two years.

Echoing past complaints, students petitioned the university last week for a solution to the lacking open lab work time in Pods 3 and 4 Micheels Hall computer lab, compounded by heavy class schedules maintained daily. The reasons for the added stress surrounding these labs are numerous. The remodeling project in the Applied Arts is behind schedule, leaving students without their promised computer lab in room 125.

"What we are waiting on is for the work stations to be installed by the contractors. And with a project as large as the remodeling, problems like the late delivery of the work stations due to factory problems are out of our control," said Ron Verdon, Art and Design department chair. Consequently, only two computer labs are accommodating a mass of classes and students.

Outside each Pod, a class schedule is posted intending to outline times instructors have reserved the labs. However, the classes scheduled are not using the labs consistently every week. "A lot of the time, the posted classes don't meet in the rooms during the times they are scheduled for, and there isn't enough communication between the instructors and myself to let me know when they won't be needing the room. Posting a weekly schedule rather than a general schedule may be one way to help in offering students more open lab work time," stated Linda Heath, Micheels Hall lab supervisor.

Right now, the graphic design students are most concerned about these problems. One suggested solution from students is opening Pod 4 to around the clock access. However, the expense to maintain this access are not easily justifiable to the university. "In the past, students weren't using the extended hours. At the end of the semester, however, hours will be extended for finals week, but 24 hour access is not possible permanently. I intend to communicate directly with students to try and find a temporary solution," Verdon said.

Another possible solution is installing 13 new G3 Macintosh computers on the main lab floor, which currently have Microsoft Word and Office programs installed, nine of which also have Quark Express. "The new G3 computers are great, except that there needs to be more programs installed, especially font suitcasing programs, because, what these computers can be used for is really limited to typing and very basic layout," said Mike Campbell, junior, graphic design student. The main computer lab staff is looking into installing a broader range of programs in the future, if the licensing will allow it.

Besides accessing problems, students are having software and lab maintenance difficulties. A few weeks ago, Verdon had met with Heath and Gordon Jones to discuss these issues. "Pod 4 software maintenance and installation are the responsibility of the Art and Design department. General lab employees are responsible for small printer problems and trying to keep order in the lab, but almost everything else lies on the Art and Design department," stated Heath.

Currently, there aren't any paid lab assistants proficient on the Macintosh platform to help resolve Pod 4 issues. The Art and Design department has recently put in a request for a state payroll budget to enable the hiring of and training necessary for experienced student lab support.

"The department feels that having someone around the lab regularly will be a positive move in an attempt to catch these problems before they become too big," stated Verdon. However, administration has repeatedly ignored proposals to hire a professional Macintosh technician, claiming lack of funding, yet every year all students pay a technology fee that could be drawn from.

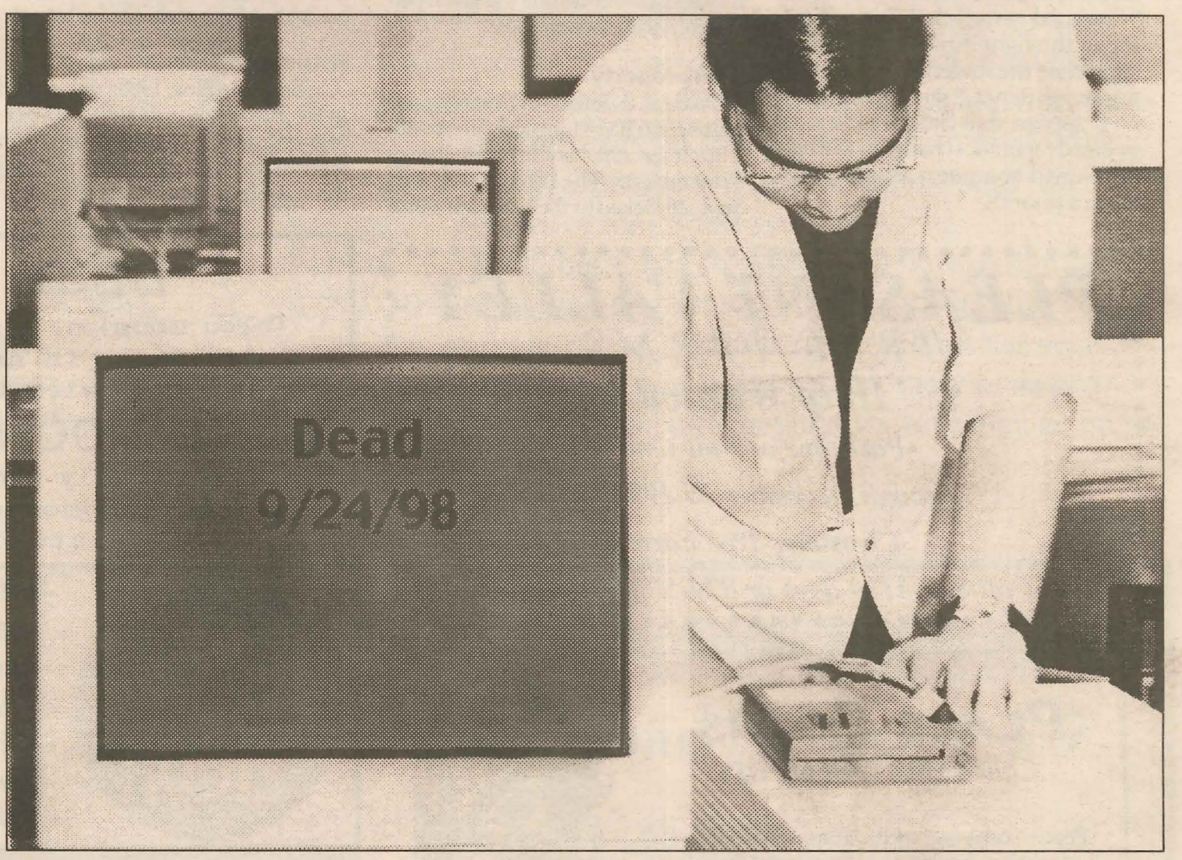


Photo by Colleen Brennan, *News Editor*

As more equipment in Pod IV dies, students are forced to perform computer surgery. Here, Daniel Vedamuthu attempts to find a working combination of hard drive, monitor, and keyboard in order to finish his class work. "Dead" signs adorn six of the 22 computers in the lab.

> "The virus problems are very frustrating; half the computers are down right now."
>
> Tina Brown, senior, graphic design student

"Administration insists we rely on student help, which is a two-sided sword," said Sue Trupiano, graphic design instructor. "On one hand it is great experience as a resume builder, yet students are always coming and going; we would always be training someone new, which would worsen the consistency problems we are already having. Plus, considering the types of software and hardware problems we are experiencing, this is a lot to ask of a student. Things like this are better remedied with professional help," she said.

Justin Pitts, graphic design student, has spent a lot of volunteer time trying to improve the situation. "Pod 4 is a mess. One reason some of these problems exist is because inexperienced and deliberately malicious people get on the computers. It would help if the art and design students in general help 'police' the lab a little, at least until some other solution is found," he stated.

The insidious computer plagues appear now to be impacting classes. "It is very inefficient to have to spend 20 to 25 minutes each class period just trying to get the printer to work. It isn't fair to students, and it's problems like this that are beginning to affect the work being produced," stated Trupiano.

"Out of the 22 workstations currently in this room, seven are not running properly," stated Campbell.

"The virus problems are very frustrating; half the computers are down right now, the AppleTalk isn't installed on all the computers so printing isn't

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Resident advisor fired in underage alcohol incident

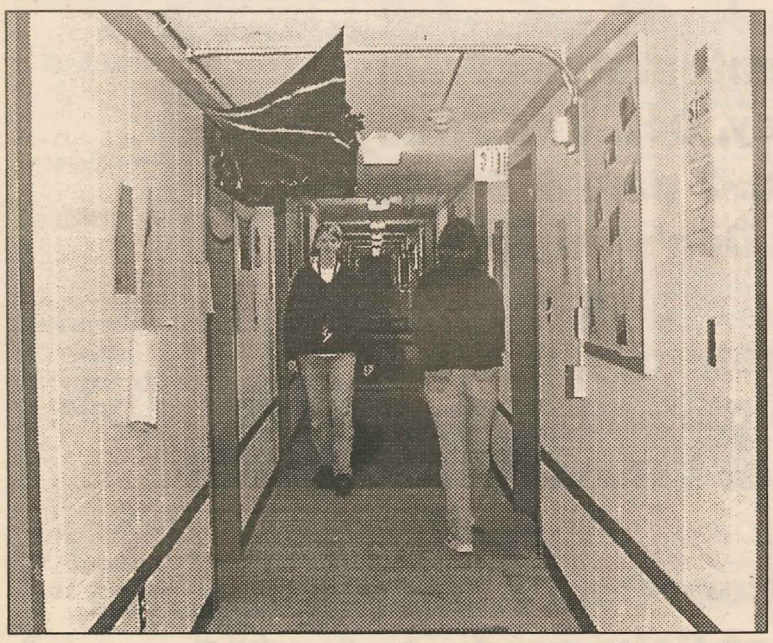


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Residence halls are facing important ethical issues early in the year as the university recently fired an RA for encouraging underage drinking.

by Billy Thayer
staff reporter

A UW-Stout resident advisor was recently found to have contributed to the drinking habits of the dorm residents he supervised. It was reported to Residence Life that Jason Zweifel, an RA in Hovlid Hall, escorted several of his residents to a house party where underage drinking was occurring. For those involved the results are still poignant, and the issue remains unclear. All the students involved were underage, a situation resulting in serious repercussions for Zweifel. It was decided that he would no longer be able to effectively do his job, and his employment with the university was terminated. "He had responsibilities, yet he took individuals to a house party," remarked Bob Johnson, interim director of Student Life Services.

After a concerned parent became aware of the situation, the event was brought to the university's attention, and the events began to unfold. "As an RA we felt his behavior was inappropriate," Johnson said, "and under the circumstances appropriate action was taken."

Parents aware of the situation have shown concern as to the well-being of their children. "I'm shocked to hear that someone who is supposed to be in a leadership position is not to be trusted," remarked one parent of a Stout student. Although the majority of the RAs value their jobs and ethics, some feel these incidents are not unique. Amy Stillwell, an RA in Fleming Hall, is one such individual. "It's a fact that some of the RAs at Stout are taking their resident to places where there is underage drinking," she said.

For residents and some RAs, the issue is not so clear cut. Though it was decided Zweifel used bad judgment, many feel the consequences of his actions were too severe. "He was a good RA," said Nate Wisocky, a Hovlid Hall resident, "and the way they fired him was wrong." Many also feel the guidelines for RAs are unclear and difficult to enforce. "We have an alcohol policy," said Jen Krueger director of Hovlid Hall, "but it's kind of gray; what you do off campus is one thing, but when it affects the building or the floor, then it's Residence Life's business." Often RAs struggle for the middle ground between being the enforcer of rules and being a friend, sometimes placing them in difficult situations.

"It always seems like the negative aspects of RAs get shown, but they do so many good things that just aren't seen," Krueger said. "He would have made a great RA, he just made a bad judgment call." Some felt that if Zweifel had just admitted to his actions when accused, he probably wouldn't have lost his job.

"Hopefully what has happened is that some learning has taken place," Johnson said. It is hoped that RAs will take note and not put themselves in situations where underage drinking is a concern.

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always working, and the same programs aren't installed on each computer," said Tina Brown, senior, graphic design student. "So it's hard to get any work done when you can get in here."

In the interest of solving these problems and in opening the lines of communication with students, Verdon intends to meet with classes, the GDA, and the Student Advisory Council to get further student input. "The good news is that we are moving in the right direction. And we appreciate the students' understanding and patience," said Verdon.

It appears that Stout's technology based reputation hangs in the balance until computer ailments are made a priority.

Police Beat

Compiled by Nancy Beinze from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Theft

Jessica Molina reported that she had left a black Jocavi jacket valued at $200 while working at the SSA office in the Memorial Student Center Sept. 25. When she came back on Sept. 28, the jacket was missing. Only SSA board members have office access. There are no suspects, and no one was given permission to remove the coat.

Lost property

On Sept. 3, Jonathan Doran reported his 1986 BM Mongoose Silver with a black seat and handle bars valued at $200 missing. The bike was last seen Sept. 28 locked to the bike rack with a cable. On Oct. 5, the complainant reported that a friend had moved the bike to a different rack. It was decided that the bike was not stolen.

Citations

For the week of Oct. 2-8, there were three citations for underage drinking, four citations for solicitation on campus, and one for controlled substance.

Found property

On Sept. 28 a pink, 1988 Ford, parked in lot 32 for a month without a permit was towed. An identification number check on the vehicle revealed there was no known owner .

University Notes

Compiled by Colleen Brennan from submitted news releases

NAEA meeting

For Art Education students, the next NAEA meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. in the Applied Arts room 226. There will be a panel of current student art teachers coming to speak, addressing teaching preparation concerns and questions. Also, dues will be collected and discussed, and there will be a raffle drawing and snacks.

Faculty recognition

The Alumni Association will recognize faculty and staff for 10, 15, 25, 30, and 35 years of service with a reception and refreshments from 5:30-7:00 p.m. on Oct. 9 in the Crystal Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center. Many faculty and staff have dedicated many years to helping UW-Stout become what it is today.

Shows in Furlong Gallery

Ron Klein's "Works from La Napoule" opened in the Furlong Gallery on Oct. 6. An artist's talk is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 4:00 p.m., and the show is scheduled to run until Oct. 24.

Scholarship opportunities

Approximately 50 Predoctoral Fellowships for minorities will be awarded in a nationwide competition sponsored by the Ford Foundation and administered by the National Research Council. The application deadline date is Nov. 14, 1998. Students who are interested in these and other scholarship opportunities should contact the Financial Aid Office in Bowman Hall.

Registration for Spring 1999

Registration for spring semester 1999 begins on Monday, Oct. 26 for graduate students and Oct. 27 for undergraduates. Timetables should be available the week of Oct. 19. Students living on campus will receive one in their mailbox, and students living off-campus must pick one up at the Service Center Desk in the Memorial Student Center. Contact the Advisement Assistance Center in room 11 Bowman Hall for faculty advisor information.

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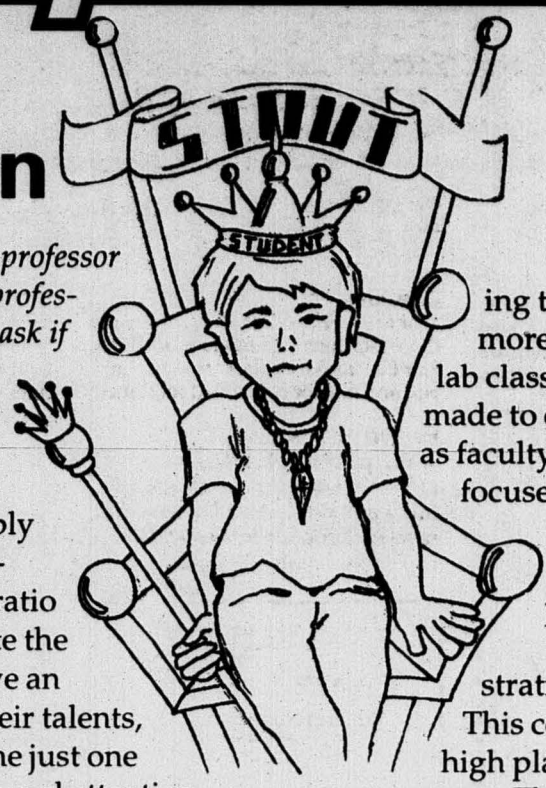
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Editorial

Carrying a crown



Walking through campus, a student runs into a professor from a general course two or three years ago. The professor greets the student by name and then goes on to ask if their plans to attend the University of Minnesota for graduate school are still in progress, how the dog is, and what the plans are for the weekend.

Does this strike anyone as funny? Probably not at Stout, where it is estimated only 7,500 students roam campus, and the teacher to student ratio is a mere 21:1. Does anyone stop to contemplate the fact that at a different campus, they may not have an advisor (or Advisement Day) to help channel their talents, they may attend a class of 300 where they become just one face in the sea of many, and may not get the personal attention or acknowledgment of their name when in a class?

It seems too many take for granted the congenial ambiance of Stout. Not only does every student have an advisor, but the advisors here actually keep their office hours. Anyone can make an appointment with the chancellor and will be politely escorted into his office for coffee and a chance to voice any concerns.

This school was designed to be hands-on, meaning that many of the classes are lab based and much more instructional attention is provided. (The average lab class has only 20 students.) Many efforts have been made to ensure that students are treated on the same level as faculty members. It appears Stout has managed to stay focused on the true aspect of education, a feat other universities seemed to have missed: to guarantee education. (Faculty and academic staff teach 99 percent of the course sections.)

With this, it has combined the flare of demonstrating overall respect and concern for its students. This could be one of the reasons why Stout has such a high placement rate and is known for many of its programs. The students feel like they matter, and they go on to make a difference.

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Campus Slant

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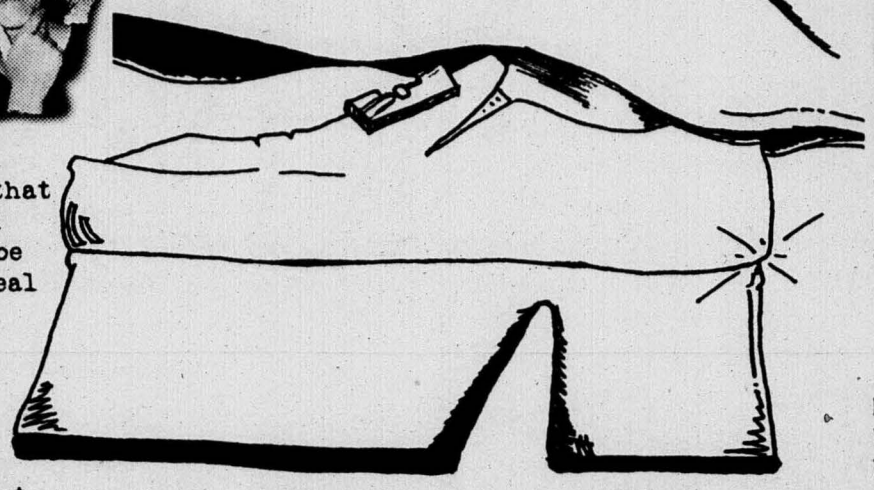
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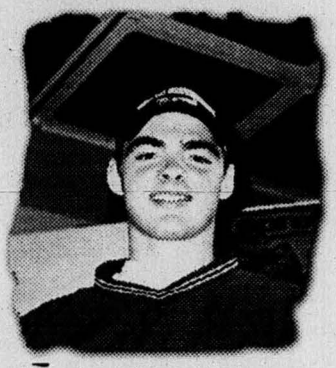
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Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Faculty Profile: *Dr. Helen Swanson*

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Walking into her office, small reminders of her two children can be spotted. Like fingerprints, these pictures and projects subtly identify what she considers a great influence and purpose in her life. Helen Swanson, psychology professor at UW-Stout, talks of her children. "They're just a constant source of pride and amazement." She goes on to share comical statements and stories about them, emphasizing her belief that parenthood has played a part in making her who she is today.

Since 1988, when Swanson's journey at Stout began, she has taught a variety of courses, nine to be exact. From Children's Learning to Psychology of the Adult Learner, her joy of discovering how people's learning changes across a life span has shown in her teaching.

Swanson's interest in psychology had its birth when she went to school for children's literature. With her tentative plans to write children's books, the evolution began.

This eventually led to child psychology and continued to research and instruction. Her prior skills are still used as she installs short analogies into her research when studying children. This, in turn, utilizes her current knowledge to better understand children.

When asked about an interesting aspect of her instructing, Swanson focused her words on Stout. "This is going to sound like every other faculty member," she softly laughs. "Stout is a terrific place to feel effective as an instructor." She expands by touching on the camaraderie and ambiance of the campus, directed at both the faculty and the students. Also mentioned were the benefits of small classes and a freedom given to those to choose and go forth with research of their choice. "Research here is a pleasure, not a burden," she explains.

When talking to a fellow colleague or two, Swanson's personality more readily stands out amongst others. In the faculty meetings, when everyone else is speaking and weighing out solutions, she will quietly listen, and only when she has thought out the situation she will raise her hand and speak. In two or three sentences, she can make a perfect summary and interpretation of everything people had been saying in the last hour.

One colleague stated, "Let me put it this way, she's not going to be the first person out in the front waving the flag, but she probably organized the whole parade."

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...Just Another Day

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist



Yeah, my life is going great. I got into an accident last Wednesday. My two friends and I were cruising to Eau Claire to speak at a journalism conference. I had prepared the night before, planning activities and digging up tips on how to write a story. Never would I have guessed my words would never be spoken.

We all gathered at my friend's house, and she volunteered to drive. Thinking back, maybe we should have taken the bus. Our conversation on the way was basic; we talked about the Stoutonia, what our speeches were about that day, and why Cindy Crawford would stoop so low as to pose for *Playboy*. Ironically, I asked the driver if she got a new car, being it was a different one than she had the year before. "Didn't you hear?" she asked. "I put my head through the windshield of my car three weeks ago. This is my mom's car." I checked my seat belt - yep, tight. (Gulp).

We were driving along, driving, driving, driving, and the steady sprinkle of rain turned into a monsoon downpour. Every so often the car would hydroplane across the freeway, and we would wonder if we were still on it or if we happened to slide into an exit (perhaps naively taking us to Shooters). Again, I wondered, how's that seat belt? 'Maybe I should pull it tighter,' I thought as I watched my fingers turn blue from lack of oxygen.

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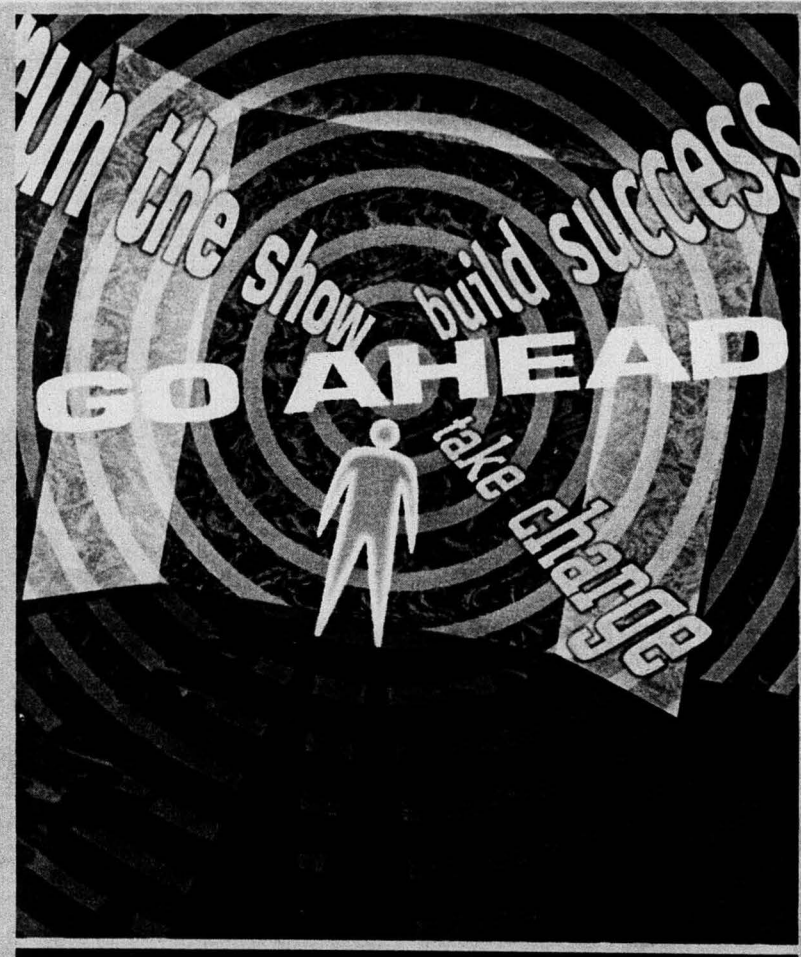
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Radio stations strive for the cash

Once slated to be faded out by the onslaught of television, radio has survived and still is a staple of American life. With the aid of being a portable friend, radio has lived on, providing us with countless hours of simple entertainment.

An Opinion
Corey Klein

It has become increasingly apparent that radio stations are afraid to take risks, afraid to delve into the untapped music not falling into a "genre." No place is more prone to this dilemma than the Menomonie community.

As our location leaves us shorthanded, we are left on the outskirts of Twin Cities music, and (un)fortunate enough to gather a handful of stations from Eau Claire. Therefore we are thrown the bare bones - a classic rock station (KQRS), a new rock station (the EDGE), a soft rock station (KS95), a pop station (KDWB), and an oldies station (Arrow). Added to this repertoire is a more modern soft rock station out of the Cities (the Point). Each of these stations are dedicated to two things: first and foremost, their advertisers, and a far second, the advancement of artists fitting in their small collection of "talent."

It must be acknowledged that we live in a capitalistic society; our worship of the holy dollar comes, for us and the Japanese, above everything else. But the attack has leaked into every facet of our lives, haunting our sporting events, radio stations, and many aspects of our entertainment world. It is now difficult to attend any entertaining event which isn't sponsored by somebody's product.

About the only station in our area not dedicated to sponsors' wishes or a certain genre, the campus's own WVSS, has been given no support from the community. All but silenced, the station strives to turn out a quality product from the confines of the CKTO basement. Banished to a tiny room cluttered with outdated equipment, the radio station once offered a huge variety of music.

Admittedly, the station does not expand past the Stout community, limited by signal strength. So, where can one turn to for original music? Where can we listen to Limp Bizkit, The Cherry Poppin' Daddies, or Mos Def? The hit song over the summer on the West Coast was *Jump, Jive, and Wail*, The Brian Setzer Orchestra's revival of swing music. But will the average listener hear this on any of the genre-ridden stations aforementioned? Not only not likely, but not at all.

MTV seems like a opportune alternative, but not without weaknesses all its own. The cable channel is not as accessible as stereos, more advertising-ridden than our radio stations, and bent only toward pop music. An hour of watching MTV can be better spent in a variety of areas. The channel is hoarded by many shows not even relating to music, and more advertising than *Sixteen* magazine. As Pearl Jam and *The Wedding Singer* should have pointed out to us, "Video killed the radio star."

In a perfect world, we would be able to hear all varieties of music, not confined to what a corporation wants you to hear. We would be unrestricted by a 10 song playlist of more popular songs. Until then, we're at the hands of what advertisers tell us to listen to.

Maybe we should tend to our own gardens. - Voltare

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Horoscopes



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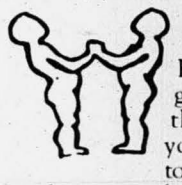
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Come out from that rock you've been hiding under for the last couple of weeks. Celebrate Homecoming for God's sake and get a little wacky. Your rock will still be there after this weekend.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Time to commit some random acts of kindness. The next time someone asks for a quarter (or any small coin), take one out of your pocket and toss it in the air. Heads, give it to them. Tails, put it back in your pocket.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Everybody will be going a little crazy this weekend, so you might as well too. Pretend you are in a hypnotized state. Every five minutes or so, yell out, "Who got the hooch!"



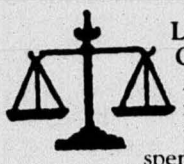
Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
Someone will babble on and on today. Try using psychic powers to make their underwear ride up. Even if that doesn't work, your look of intense concentration will make them feel self-conscious.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)
Get a few buddies together at the beginning of class and form a Red Rover line in front of the door. Don't let the teacher through.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
You'll get very bored today and will try to make yourself productive with some twine, but you'll need a lot of twine.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)
An elderly Chinese man will stop in for a visit. You'll spend the entire visit in silence, except for the occasional clinking of a teacup on a saucer.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)
A white rat will run away from its laboratory today, change its name to Biff, and take up residence with you. Eventually, you'll become best friends.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You will insist on being called El Magnifico today. There will be some grumbling among the peasants.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
While channel surfing, you will accidentally fall upon a secret U.S. government channel and will overhear people in the Pentagon talking about the day China is going to blow us all to shreds. Then your friend will pop out of the closet and scare the bejeezers out of you.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
The world will be cold and gray. Buzzards will circle around your head as you'll gasp for a glimpse of deep cold water in rushing rivers. Then out of nowhere, you'll see a glimmering golden light ahead. Either that or you'll get gum on your shoe. (Sometimes these things are hard to read).



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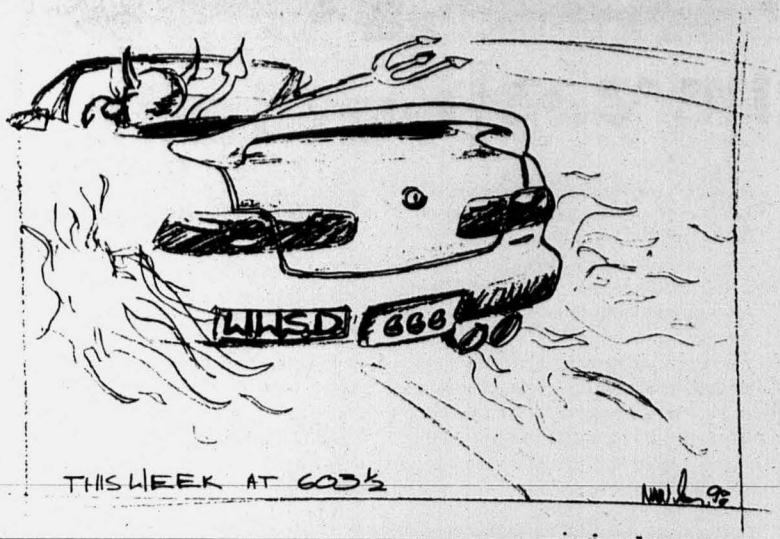
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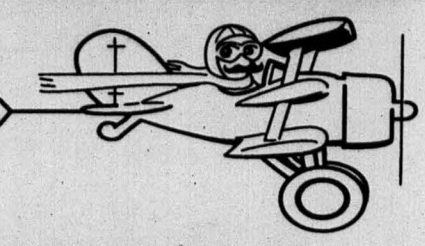
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Stout Volleyball breezes by UW-Superior

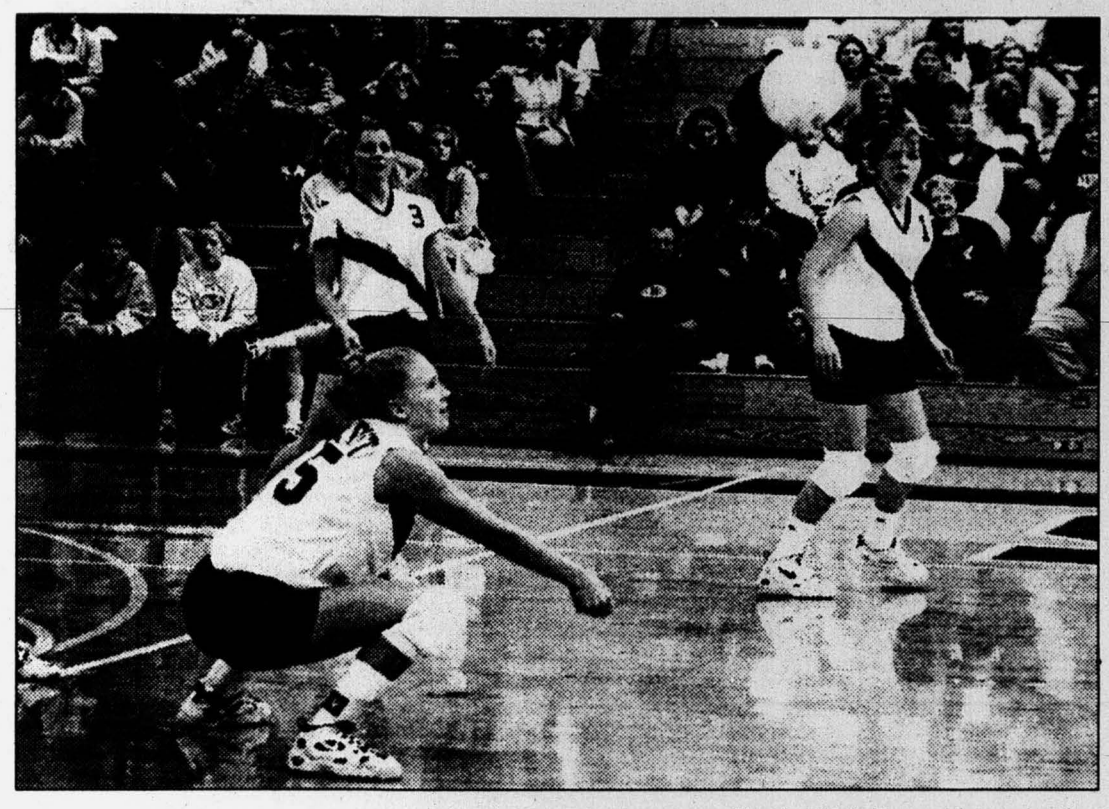


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It took the UW-Stout Volleyball Team only three games to down UW-Superior, allowing for liberal substitutions by Head Coach Jill Jolliff. Stacy Stoddard (5) led the Blue Devil defense, and Laura Huntoon (1) contributed two service aces to complete the win.

UW-Stout falls short in shootout

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The high-powered offenses of UW-La Crosse and UW-Stout clashed heads in a shoot-out this past weekend at Nelson Field, compiling a combined 1,039 yards of total offense. The result of the WIAC showdown was a 58-38 defeat of the Blue Devils.

The Eagles of UW-La Crosse accumulated a gaudy 589 yards of total offense, 497 of which came by means of a ground attack. La Crosse's Beau Coulter was the major contributor toward that effort, carrying the ball 26 times and totaling 224 yards. Coulter's accomplice, Fullback Joe Rivard, rushed 13 times for 130 yards.

The Blue Devil's totals were not shabby either, taking the Eagle defense for 450 total yards. However, 166 of those yards came on the final two drives which both resulted in scores.

Stout Quarterback Matt Bunyan connected on 37 of his 61 pass attempts. Both the 37 completions and the 61 attempts are new school records. Bunyan also threw four touchdowns in the losing effort, bringing his career total to 60 touchdown passes, also a new school record.

Stout grabbed the first lead of the game as Bunyan hit Tight End Andy Mutch for an 11-yard score midway through the first period. The Eagles countered with three scores of their own in the quarter; Stout would never retain the lead.

A 25-yard field goal by sophomore Place Kicker Kevin McCulley, accompanied by a Bunyan touchdown pass to Tom Schaffner completed the Blue Devil scoring for the half. The Eagles closed with two field goals in the final 40 seconds to take a 34-16 half-time lead.

The two offensive powerhouses matched each other with touchdown strikes in the third quarter, then erupted in the fourth. La Crosse added two more touchdowns and a field goal in the fourth, while Bunyan found Aaron Johnson for two touchdowns of their own in the fourth.

The 96 total points put up by these two teams surpassed the previous WIAC single game scoring record of 95 between LaCrosse and UW-Eau Claire.

The Blue Devil Football Team will lace 'em up again this Saturday at 1:00 p.m. at Nelson Field, as they take on the Blugolds of Eau Claire during Homecoming weekend.

Vikings victorious over Pack in Monday night football rivalry

The duty of the media is to inform, enlighten, and entertain. Its priorities are defined by its readership; its obligation is to unbiased reporting. Such circumstances require this dutiful Vikings fan to acknowledge that any given team can beat any other team on any given day.

Rich Spicer
sports columnist

Take for instance last Monday. Games are won by chance as much as by talent, and the dignified response to Monday's debacle would be quiet pride. Having said this, *we beat you, we beat you, we beat you, and we're going to do it again*. And you can quote me on that.

Purple pride ran rampant following the 37-24 Vikings rout of the Packers. Prior to the humiliation, Brett Favre and his rabble were chasing the record for the most consecutive wins at home. Unfortunately for Bert, uh Brett, their chances fell to the ground like so many of Monday night's raindrops.

An especially deep, salty puddle could be located under Brett Favre's seat where he rode the bench after suffering a small personal accident, namely, three quarters without a touchdown pass. Finally, Packer Head Coach Mike Holmgren put everyone out of their misery by calling on Backup Quarterback Doug Pederson. Poor Brett's puddle was probably even augmented by a few tears. Adding insult to injury, Pederson's sterling performance, leading the Pack in two successful scoring drives, will be his last for awhile. Alas, he was injured during his last play of the game and is out with a broken jaw. Also out with a knee injury is Derrick Mayes. Ah yes, the Pack has seen better days. Or Monday nights, as the case may be.

Reactions across campus ranged from insane cackles of rage to unwarranted adulation. Eyewitnesses report incidents of property damage as well as drunken brawls, most from throngs of fans with divided loyalties. This reaction, while surprising in its intensity, seems to characterize reactions

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Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Soccer
Oct. 3

Tricia Sykes scored the eventual game-winning goal at the 53:52 mark as the UW-Stout Soccer Team went on to win a 1-0 contest over UW-Platteville.

Sykes took the pass from Becky Howard for the goal.

Meanwhile, the Stout defense tightened up, holding the Pioneers to only three shots, all stopped by Goalkeeper Nikki Bezak.

Oct. 4

The UW-Stout Soccer Team got back over .500 as they downed Viterbo College, 3-1, in La Crosse.

The Blue Devils scored two goals in the first half and capped off the game with another in the second.

Shannon Camp scored unassisted, and Alyssa Halverson recorded the game-winning goal with an assist by Jessica Unterweger. Defender Carrie Blaska scored her first collegiate career goal on a penalty kick.

The Blue Devils outshot the V-Hawks, 29-11, with Stout Goalkeeper Nikki Bezak recording eight saves.

Stout hosts Edgewood College, this Friday at 4 p.m. at the River Heights Elementary field.

Women's Cross Country
Oct. 3

UW-Stout's Katy Olsen placed eighth overall and Katie Jacobson finished 16th overall at the Lakefront Invitational hosted by Loyola University in Chicago, Ill.

Olsen finished in 18:44 to edge

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across the entire region. When asked about the crushing defeat, most Packer fans swallow their pride and admit the rivalry isn't so one-sided as it has been heralded. Some fanatics, however, ask for you to swallow something else, and then disintegrate to senseless babble laced with such words as "lucky," "fluke," "sons of...," and various expletives sure to make even a sailor blush with shame. In defense of Packer loyalty, this is a phenomena that is not uncommon in some Vikings circles, too.

Both teams have next week off, and the Green and Gold may need to use that time to turn the envy and cowardice worthy of last week's game back into the pride usually associated with Lambeau Field. The Pack still sits at a respectable No. 2. Yeah, that's right, I said they're No. 2, and they can be counted on for a tough game come the November 22 rematch. I would like to believe that another rout will ensue, but the Packers are too talented a team to let that happen. And Packer fans simply cannot handle another blow to the legacy of their following. They will not survive another Packer loss to their neighboring Norseman foes.

To paraphrase what Monica Lewinsky must be thinking, I leave you with a bit of optimism for the Packers in their time of grievance:

It's just not fair. You blow it once, and all of a sudden it's national news.

Press Box/Women's Tennis

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out Kent State's Lisa Claypool for eighth place. The race consisted of participants from NCAA Divisions I, II, and III and NAIA schools. As a team, Stout placed sixth of 19 Division II, III and NAIA teams.

Olsen placed eighth of 386 overall, earning her honors as the WIAC Women's Cross Country Athlete of the Week.

The Blue Devils will return to action Friday, Oct. 9 when they compete at the UW-Eau Claire Invitational at Whitetail Golf Club in Colfax.

Women's Tennis

Oct. 3

UW-Stout's Lauren Mader was the only Blue Devil to notch a win as the Stout Tennis Team fell to UW-Whitewater. Mader swept past Heather Hearn at No. 1 singles.

Oct. 6

The Blue Devils could manage only one singles win and fell to UW-River Falls in their last home match of the season. Mader was the only singles winner for the Blue Devils. She received recognition as the WIAC Tennis Singles Athlete of the Week.

Women's Volleyball

Sept. 30

UW-Eau Claire has held UW-Stout's number on the volleyball court for the last four years. Prior to this match-up, Eau Claire had already downed Stout twice this season.

The Blugolds appeared to be on their way to taking the win after the opening game, but Stout rallied to control the next two games. The Blue Devils took over in the match-deciding fifth game, 15-9.

Oct. 2

The Blue Devils looked like they had a chance to upset the heavily favored UW-Whitewater Warhawks on their home floor, jumping out to a 9-0 first game lead.

But the Warhawks would come back to sweep the remaining games, and stay undefeated in the WIAC.

Oct. 3

The UW-Stout Volleyball Squad swept UW-Oshkosh, 3-0, spreading the aces around, with Jenny Kraczek recording three, and Heather Cassell and Kathy Jahnke each getting two.

The Blue Devils host their own Invitational, Saturday, Oct. 10 at 1 p.m., then host a non-conference contest with Viterbo College, Tuesday, Oct. 13.

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Wausau Financial Systems
Western Digital
Weyerhaeuser Technology Center
Wilcox Press, Inc.
Wisconsin Bearing/Berry Bearing
Wisconsin Color Press, Inc.
Wisconsin Packaging Company
Wisconsin State Government

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 - RETAIL, BUSINESS, APPLIED MATH, ART AND DESIGN, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION

3M Corporation-Computer Systems
Abercrombie & Fitch
Accessibility, Inc,
ACR Homes, Inc. Blimpie Subs/Salads
Aldi, Inc.
Allen-Edmonds Shoe Corporation
Allied Interstate
Alpha Graphics
American Cancer Society
American Express Property Casualty
Ashley Furniture Industries, Inc.
B.K. Holzem Enterprises, Inc.
Banker's Life & Casualty Co.
Bergstrom Automotive
Best Buy
Bright Start Children's Centers
CBR, Incorporated
Children's World Learning Center
Coin Wrap, Inc.
Color Arts, Inc.
Corporation for NAtional Service
Dunham Express
E.O. Johnson Co. -Wausau
Eau Claire Academy
Ebenezer Child Care Centers
Eddie Bauer
Enterprise Rent-A-Car (MN)
Excel Communications
EXPRESS
Famous Footwear
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.
Footlocker/Venator Group
Golf Galaxy
Gorman & Company, Inc.
Green Tree Financial Corp.
Hertz Corporation
Host Marriott Services
JC Penny Company, Inc. -MN/WI
Jillians Entertainment America Live
JoAnn Fabrics-Richfield, MN
Jockey International
Kaposia, Inc.
Kids "R" Us
Kmart Corporation
Lands' End
Lutheran Brotherhood-St. Paul
Lutheran Social Services
Marcus Cable
Maurices, Inc.
Meldisco (Kmart Footwear)
Mervyn's - Management
Mid-America Festivals
Mutual of Omaha
National Mutual Benefit
Neiman Marcus-MN
Nine West Banister Shoe Studio
NML - Nesbitt (Eagan)
NML - The Blevons Agency
Norwest Financial
Office Depot-MN
Office Team/Robert Half International
Oshkosh B'Gosh
Peace Corps
Prent Corporation (Mfg.)
Primerica Financial Services
ProColor/Professional Color Service
Pulte Homes of Minnesota Corp.
Quad/Graphics
Quebecor Printing
Red Wing Shoe Co., Inc.
Sentry Insurance
Sherwin Williams Co.
Six Flags Great America
St. Cloud State University
St. Paul Public Schools
TAB Products Company
Target Stores-MN (Management)
The Gap Brand/Banana Republic
Thomas Moore, Inc.
Toys "R" Us
Transport America
TRIAD Financial Services
U.S. Air Force Officer Training
U.S. Marine Corps.
US Bank Corp.
UV Color
UW-Extension
UW-Stout Graduate College
Victoria's Secret
Victoria's Secret Bath & Fragrance
Viking Electric Supply, Inc.
Vision World
Wal-Mart Distribution-Menomonie
Wal-Mart Stores - Region 8
Wausau Financial Systems
Wisconsin Department of Revenue
Wisconsin Dept. of Corrections
Yonkers, Inc. (Div. of Proffitt's)

DAY 3: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 - HOTEL, RESTAURANT, DIETETICS, AND FOOD SERVICE INDUSTRIES

ACR Homes, Inc. Blimpie Subs/Salads
Adam's Mark Hotels
Americinn International, LLC
Anderson Worldwide-Hospitality
Applebee's International
ARAMARK-Oak Brook
AVIS Rent-A-Car
B.K. Holzem Enterprises, Inc.
Baraboo Sysco Food Services
Baymont Inns - formerly Budgetel
Best Western-The Inn Towner
Border Foods, Inc. (Taco Bell)
Bravo Restaurants
Bristol Hotels & Resorts
Bruegger's Bagel Bakery-MN
Cactus Pete's Ameristar Casinos-NV
CEC Entertainment
Chuck E. Cheese
Chula Vista Resort
Club Managers Association
College Park Communities/GMH, Inc.
Compass Group North America
Crowne Plaza Northstar-Marcus Hotel
CSM Corporation
Culver's Franchising Systems, Inc.
Davanni's, Inc.
Dayton Hudson/Marshall Fields - Rest.
Don Pablo's Restaurants
Door County Chamber
Eagle Ridge Inn & Resort
Ecolab-St. Paul
Edina Country Club
Einstein Bagels
Excel Inns of America
Extended Stay America
Fairmont Hotel
Family Restaurants, Inc.- ChiChi's
Famous Dave's
FourCrown, Inc. /DBA Wendy's
Franchise Assc., Inc. (Arby's/Sbarro)
Gorman & COmpany, Inc.
Grand Geneva Resort & Spa (Marcus)
Grand View Lodge Golf & Tennis Club
Grandma Gebhard's
Green Bay Area Vis/Con. Promotion MG
Heidel House/Inntowner, Fiore Co.
Holiday Inn Metrodome
Homestead Village, Inc.
Hooters of America, HOA, Inc.
Hormel Foods Corporation
Host Marriott Services
Hotel Sofitel-Bloomington
Houlihan's Restaurant Group
Houston's Restaurants
Hyatt Hotels Corp. (Engineering) cc
Integrated Decisions/Systems-IDeaS
J. Alexander's Restaurant
Jillians Entertainment America Live
Knott's Camp Snoopy
LaQuinta Inns
Larson Management, Inc.
Lettuce Entertain You
Levy Restaurants
LSG Skychefs
Manchester East
Marriott International
Marriott Racine/New Castle Hotels
McDonald's Corporation
McDonald's/Courtesy Corp.
Milwaukee Hilton & Pfister
Minneapolis Hilton & Towers
NACUFS
North Central Management
Olive Garden Restaurant-IL
Perkins Family Restaurants
Perkins Franchise Group
Pizza Hut, Inc.
Radisson Hotel-St. Paul
Red Lobster Darden Restaurants
Regal Minneapolis Hotel
Rivers Hotel Group
Rock Bottom Restaurants
Service Ideas, Inc.
Sheraton Minneapolis Metrodome
Six Flags Great America
Sodexho (Marriott)
Sportservice
St. Croix Casino & Hotel
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Stormont Trice Corp.
Sysco Minnesota
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Victorious!



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

The Blue Devil football players join the cheering UW-Stout fans, making this a memorable Homecoming for everyone. The Football Team culminated the week's activities excellently, rewarding Blue Devil fans with a 35-7 blow-out game against previously unbeaten Eau Claire. Pre-game stints are on pages eight and nine, including new Homecoming royalty, cheerleader stunts, old float champions, and more.

Stout strives to capture the technological edge

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

Before the Internet was born, communications were advancing rapidly. Now, with the Internet's help in disseminating information at speeds once thought impossible, technology is advancing exponentially. As a result, the need for digital information design has sprung up, and along with it, an emerging area of study known as Multimedia Design.

Multimedia Design is the essence of visual communication. It uses computer-based means of dispersing information while encompassing the use of electronic media and technology and at the same time incorporating humanistic aspects of how an audience interacts with technology. In their careers, multimedia designers may create web pages, develop CD-ROM programs, work in the telecommunications field or provide us with virtual reality interaction. That is just a short list in a realm of possibilities. More and more, we can expect digital distribution of information to change how we will inform and be informed and how we will educate and be educated.

UW-Stout has taken its place as one of the few schools to offer a degree in Multimedia Design. This fall, Stout announced the addition of the design concentration to its bachelor of fine arts degree program. The multimedia design concentration, still in a developmental stage, was quickly filled with 37 freshmen, adding to what is already the university's largest degree program.

According to Paul DeLong, program director for UW-Stout's art and design department, the multimedia concentration seemed like a natural second step to enhance what Stout has to offer in the design field. "Design is at the core of information dissemination, regardless of the media used," DeLong explained.

> "We know we will have to stay as current as possible."
>
> Paul DeLong, art and design program director

Along with other art and design professors, including Tim O'Keefe, Sue Hunt, and Sue Trupiano, DeLong recognized the need for a digital design emphasis in the department. Graduates from the university's graphic design program unofficially became multimedia designers because there was such a demand for them in the industry. Many of these graduates reported back to DeLong, voicing their opinions on the need for formal education in multimedia design.

In creating the new concentration, DeLong also noticed the lack of training for multimedia designers that is based in the traditional study of art and design. According to him, more and more multimedia programs are being developed, but there is such a strong need for multimedia training and few schools are able to meet the demand. UW-Stout's program is one of the very few four-year multimedia concentrations in the Midwest.

Students currently enrolled in Stout's graphic design concentration also expressed an eagerness to see the development of multimedia in the curriculum. In fact, the curriculum development for the multimedia concentration was based on the existing graphic design program and modified to fit the new digital design needs. DeLong explained the logic behind this approach.

"Someone designing for the computer has to keep a time element and human interface factor in mind. Both the multimedia and graphic designers need design skills, color skills, and type skills; but where the multimedia designer differs is that they have to consider this whole new domain [of design]."

Many of the freshmen enrolled in the new concentration were drawn to Stout because of its successful graphic design program, and after receiving information on the multimedia concentration, decided Multimedia Design was the angle they were looking for. Rick Carlson, of Washburn, WI, visited Stout's campus for an orientation last summer,

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The doors open for adventurous artists

■ The Bud and Betty Micheels Artist in Residence program encourages exploration in art

by Kyle Madison
Staff Reporter

Opportunity is what college is all about: the opportunity to meet and interact with new people, the opportunity to participate in any number of organizations, and the opportunity to further educate oneself to secure a desired job after graduation.

The Bud and Betty Micheels Artist in Residence program is another great opportunity available to all students enrolled at Stout. The program originated in 1988 with the intent of "encouraging students to explore art and technology," Ron Verdon, Program Director and Co-founder, said.

The Artists in Residence program accommodates only two students annually. An applicant must acquire two faculty recommendations, provide a current transcript, and complete an application defining the nature of their proposal to be considered. It is also suggested that an applicant request the aid of faculty mentors whom they may consult for support and direction if accepted. The program welcomes anyone who wishes to be taken into account as a nominee.

Once accepted into the program, applicants proceed to study with his or her faculty mentor while completing their artwork. The final product will be completed in May. Accompanying the completion of the work will be a year-end exhibition of the two works in the Library Learning Center, where the individuals will be honored for their works. One of the pieces is then donated to the collection in the LLC.

The benefits of taking part in this particular program are numerous. Financial benefits include a $500 stipend for the academic year as well as $800 that the artists may use to continue their work. However, the most prolific benefit of participating in the program may be the experience gained by creating an artistic proposal in an undergraduate institution, an experience which is often not acquired until graduate school or beyond.

A program like Artist in Residence cannot exist without sufficient funds allowing the students to create their works. Bud and Betty Micheels, after whom the program is named, have been more than supportive of this cause.

"They have been very generous in this program," said Verdon of the Micheels' donations. "We owe them a great deal of thanks."

Memorial raises awareness about hate crimes

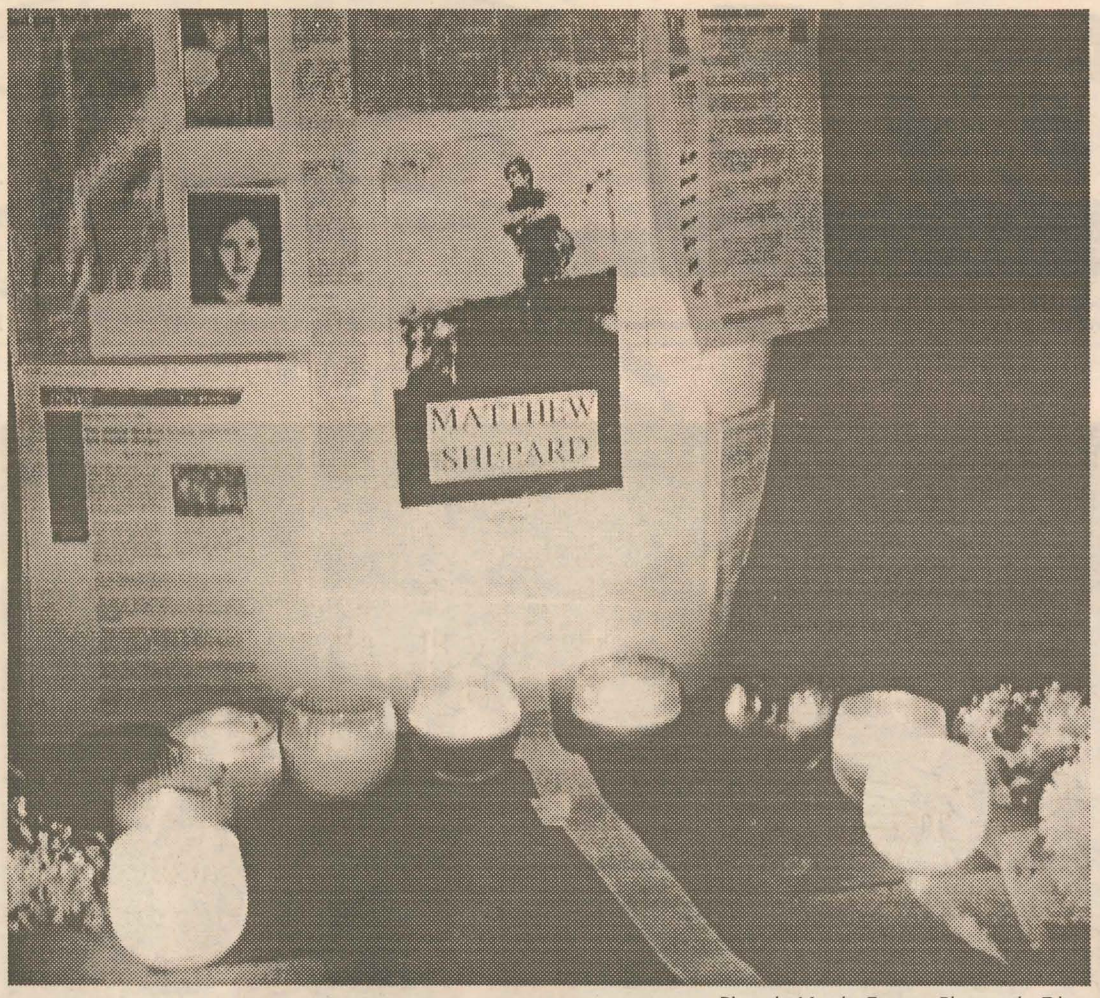


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

UW-Stout joins campuses across the country in remembering Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old University of Wyoming student beaten to death for his sexual orientation. Allegedly this memorial was burned shortly after it was installed; an investigation is pending.

Multimedia/cutting edge

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planning to enroll as a graphic design student. However, after hearing details on the multimedia concentration, he re-evaluated his plans. "Multimedia is just a bigger group," Carlson said. "It's what the world is turning to."

Classes are still being developed and a search is being conducted to hire another design faculty member who has expertise in digital design. Only one expert is needed because there are current faculty members able to teach the upper level Multimedia Design courses.

Many of the courses a multimedia design student will need are already offered in the curriculum. The upper level courses will be ready for the new students by their fourth or fifth semester in the program. Some of the projected classes are Web and Internet Programming, Interface Design, and Data Structures.

To prepare for these classes, the art and design department is striving to keep facilities up-to-date. Even the renovations in the Applied Arts building will eventually serve students in Multimedia Design. "As we add computers and develop the computer labs, we are keeping the concentration in mind," DeLong said. "We know we will have to stay as current as possible."

DeLong encourages students in other concentrations to take advantage of these specialized courses as they become available, and with some advising, integrate them into their major's curriculum. "We appreciate that there are students in the traditional curriculum who really have a strong leaning toward this new direction."

Since multimedia is a growing industry, many professionals see the need for multimedia-ready graduates in design. Concerning the emergence of multimedia degree programs at universities like UW-Stout, Marshall Wieland, marketing manager of American Information Systems (AIS), Inc., said, "I am a big supporter of educational programs that aim to supply people with tangible skills, as long as it is not at the expense of a well-rounded education."

Preston Hall, of Cobalt Multimedia and Deslock Design firm, agreed with the necessity of a well-rounded designer. "The doors are starting to close on the self-taught web designer." Designers for the 21st Century will need to have extensive art skills, know how the marketing world works, understand HTML and JavaScript coding, and have good verbal communication skills. "They are a rare breed of people, but they are the type that are needed in this industry."

Considering how quickly the Internet has moved from an obscure thought to a dominant tool for communication, Multimedia Design will soon be at the forefront in the next wave of technology. Just imagine what is on the horizon making its way to the surface.

Y2K bug and Stout

by Steve Rock
Staff Reporter

Many people have heard about the potential problem that computers will face as the calendars turn from 1999 to 2000, often referred to as the Y2K bug. Most people, however, do not understand what the problem is or what it means to UW-Stout.

If not enough date-orientated systems are upgraded and tested in time, fundamental aspects of the American way of life could seriously be jeopardized.

To clarify the problem one must travel back to 1959 when computers first started to make an appearance in the business world. Back then memory in computers was at a premium and anything that could be condensed in order to save space was used. This included the date. It was shortened to the last two digits of the year so that 1959 was recorded as 59. There is nothing wrong with this system until January 1, 2000, when many computer systems will assume that this means 1900 instead of 2000. This will cause many computers to miscalculate information, especially dealing with retail and accounting. Programmers did not think that this would ever be a serious problem, assuming that we would not still be using 40 year old programs at the turn of the century.

There are also problems with some embedded microchips that monitor the date. These chips can cause similar problems in computations and in some cases are more difficult to fix than the language, also known as code, orientated problems.

University officials have formed a committee that is dealing with Y2K related issues and actions are being taken to ensure that there is a smooth transition at Stout with as few inconveniences as possible.

Most IBM personal computers and software at Stout will be phased out and replaced with a Y2K compliant system by Datatell as early as June of 1999.

News Briefs

Compiled by Colleen Brennan

Spy found

On Tuesday, Oct. 13, former intelligence analyst with the Pentagon's super secret National Security Agency was charged with selling top secret weapons and defense strategies to Russia for $60,000.

Child Online Protection Act

The Child Online Protection Act, also known as CDA II, appears to be part of a more than $500 billion budget proposal for federal agencies that have not yet received funding, regardless of numerous objections posted by the U.S. Justice Department and the White House. This bill severely limits the online publication of material deemed "harmful to minors," but is controversial in light of the First Amendment.

Hate crimes awareness

Matthew Shepard died shortly after 1:00 a.m. on Oct. 12 from injuries he sustained during a widely publicized assault on Oct. 7. Two men had been charged with attempted murder, kidnapping, and robbery which will now be upgraded to first-degree murder. In Wyoming, such a charge could mean the death penalty. A series of gay and lesbian organizations are using this attack to call attention to hate crime violence and to press for passage of hate crimes legislation.

Girls are catching up

The American Association of University Women released a report that girls are closing the gap with boys in math and science achievements, but still lack in computer skills. This report also stated that many girls are still choosing careers based on stereotypes.

Decade of women

A record number of women (121) won primary elections across the country this year. Political observers are claiming a record number of congressional seats will be filled by women representatives when the new legislation session convenes in January. This is a rising trend considering that in the last election, women had nearly doubled their numbers in what was known as "The Year of the Women."

University Notes

Compiled by Colleen Brennan from submitted news releases

Assault talk

On Oct. 21 from 4:00-5:30 p.m. campus police will present "Don't become a victim or offender of sexual assault." Contact campus police for location and other details at x-2222.

Dietetics speaker

On Monday, Oct. 19 at 6:00 p.m. Arlene Monk RD, CD, CDE from the International Diabetes Center will speak in the library, room 206. This can be considered as field experience hours, a great resume builder, and SSDA credit (outside activity).

Reach

The Involvement and Leadership Department will sponsor a community outreach residency at American Luther Home on Wednesday, Oct. 21 and at Oaklawn Elementary School on Thursday, Oct. 22. These events will feature James Hersch and the award-winning program he founded, "Reach." Hersch will also be performing in an acoustic venue at Stout on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the Great Hall, MSC. Admission is free. For more information contact Brad Rowe at 232-1772.

Retail career conference

UW-Stout's Apparel Design and Manufacturing and Retail Merchandising Management programs will host their annual career conference on Tuesday, Oct. 20 in the Great Hall, MSC. "Visions '98" is intended for high school students interested in career opportunities in the fashion industry. Additional information can be obtained by calling 232-2483.

Candlelight vigil

On Sunday, Oct. 25, The Bridge is holding a candlelight vigil at Wilson Park for victims of domestic abuse. October is Domestic Violence Awareness month.

Career Exploration

Seminar in Career Exploration (500-196) is a new one-credit course, offered third and fourth quarters, designed for students who are undecided regarding their academic and career goals. For more information contact Julie Furst-Bowe in the Office of Academic and Student Affairs at x-2421 or e-mail her at bowej@uwstout.edu.

Blood Drive

On Oct. 27 and 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Gamma Sigma Sigma and the American Red Cross are hosting a Blood Drive. To schedule an appointment contact Melissa at 233-0802.

Error

There is a mis-print in the Residence Life Handbook. It states that there will be no classes held on Oct. 26, however, classes WILL be in session.

Police Beat

Compiled by Colleen Brennan from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations reports

Vandalism

Campus police received four separate complaints of vandalized vehicles on Oct. 11. Damage included broken mirrors on the left and/or right sides of the vehicles and slight scratches made where the door mirrors were mounted. All cars were parked in the southeast row of lot 5, near the tennis courts. If anyone has pertinent information, please contact campus police at x-2222.

Recovered property

On Oct. 9 a roadmaster trailblazer, 26 inch, green, 18 speed men's bicycle was taken into the Campus Police Office by the grounds crew to put into storage for safe keeping. Grounds crew staff reported the bike had been parked in the bicycle rack northwest of the Memorial Student Center since the end of summer. All tires are flat and the rims have been broken, twisted, smashed, and bent. The bicycle has not been claimed.

Vandalism

Members of the grounds crew reported that they saw the remains of five dozen broken eggs in the bleachers, sidelines, and playing surface of of Nelson Field while preparing it for the Oct. 8 football game. It is believed that the vandalism occurred during the early morning hours because some of the yokes were not completely dried. There are no witnesses or suspects at this time.

Theft

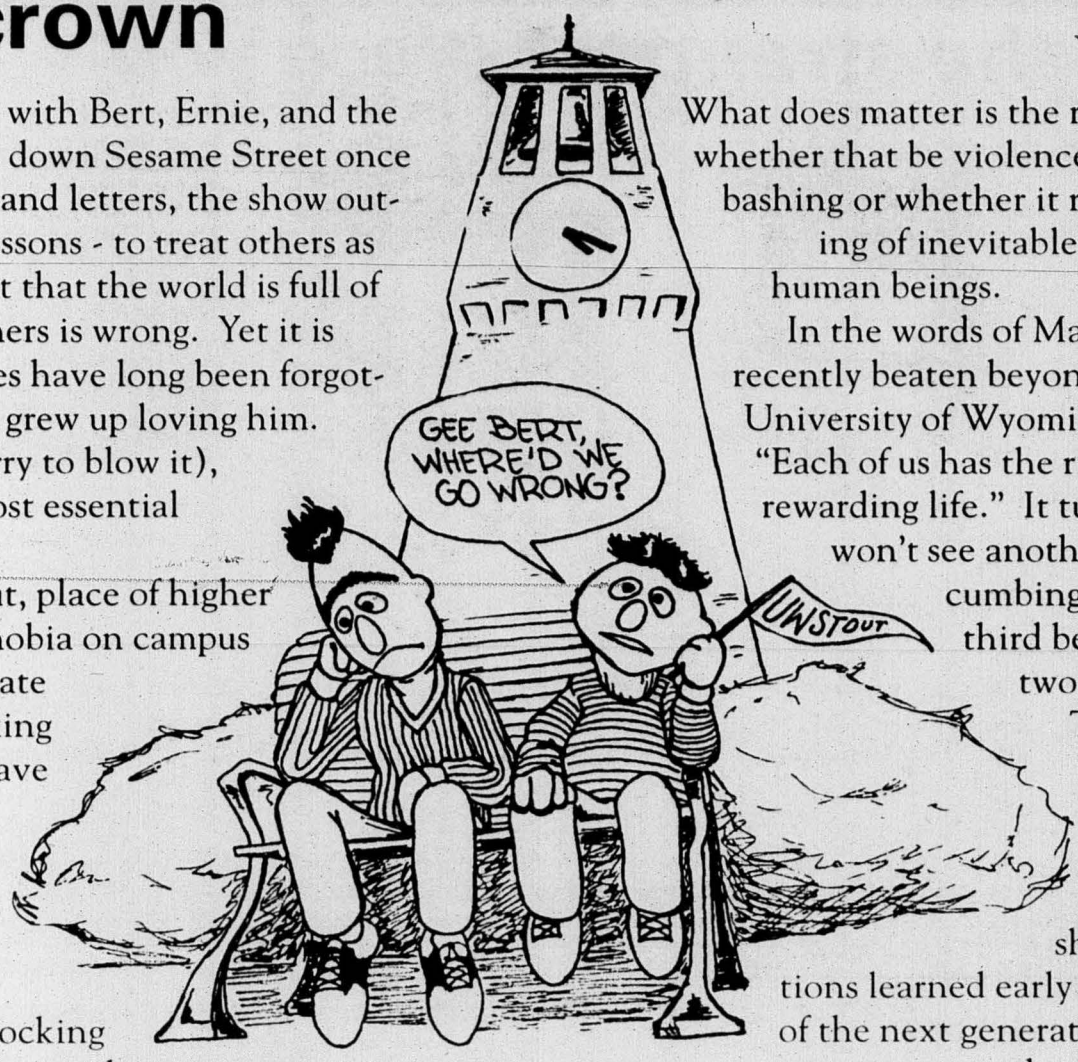
On Oct. 8 custodian Mark Wenzel reported at 9:35 a.m. that sometime during the previous evening, some unknown person(s) removed all toilet paper from Harvey, Micheels, and Jarvis Halls. No one was given permission to remove these items, and there are no suspects at this time.

Anonymous call

At 11:42 p.m. on Oct. 5, an anonymous caller from Hovlid Hall reported a large fight in progress on the pedestrian bridge between Hovlid and JTC halls. Two Menomonie Police Department officers responded with campus police to the sight, and noticed around 150 people celebrating or commiserating over the results of the NFL game. Nobody appeared to be fighting as officers walked through the crowd, and no signs of an altercation were found.

Editorial

Carrying a crown



Generations that grew up with Bert, Ernie, and the whole crew need to take a stroll down Sesame Street once again. More than just numbers and letters, the show outlined some of life's most basic lessons - to treat others as we'd like to be treated, to accept that the world is full of differences, and that to hurt others is wrong. Yet it is apparent that Big Bird's messages have long been forgotten among the generations that grew up loving him. Sure, the Street is fictitious (sorry to blow it), but the messages are still the most essential ones we'll ever learn.

So when members of Stout, place of higher education, worry about homophobia on campus and the possibility of looming hate crimes, the entire nation is looking on with horror, hoping not to have the next crime occur. Not surprisingly, these crimes go largely unreported from the Stout campus, but the precursors are more than obvious - "fag" shouted in a bar, openly mocking gestures, vandalism to cars bearing pride stickers, and cockles at news stories concerning gay rights.

Religious choice, family beliefs, personal choice, or whatever the reason may be for not supporting gays, it doesn't matter. What does matter is the result of these choices - whether that be violence, hatred, and name bashing or whether it remain an understanding of inevitable differences in all human beings.

In the words of Matthew Shepard, recently beaten beyond recognition at the University of Wyoming for being gay, "Each of us has the right to live a full and rewarding life." It turns out Shepard won't see another day, finally succumbing to death after the third beating incidence in two months.

The simplest lessons in life often seem to be the hardest, but whatever is taken to the grave, it should be these instructions learned early on. Otherwise, kids of the next generation will be facing worse prospects than the present: 80 percent of gay youth report verbal abuse and 66.7 percent were threatened/injured with a weapon at school in the past year (National Youth Advocacy Coalition).



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Letters

Attention Viking fans:

After having read last week's sports write up on the Monday night defeat of the Packers by the Vikings, I have a few things to say to our new sports writer. First and foremost, is that you need to remember that you are indeed living in Packer country and not in some fantasy world where the Vikings have been the NFL Central winners the last three years in a row. Now, as a loyal Packers fan, which by the way is more than I can say about a majority of all Viking fans, I will be the first to admit that the rivalry is a good one, and we all tend to see some great games. Well, at least you get to see the Vikings play when the Packers come to town anyway.

What I'm really trying to get at is the attitude of the average Vikings fan. I have been in this town for quite some time, so I have seen my share of what can happen when these two teams meet. Friends become archenemies for the day, and people can get down right nasty. However, I have noticed that most of the anger is one-sided. You see, the average Packers fan has been a die-hard since birth, you may have heard that we bleed green. We have seen our share of plenty of good times in Packers' history, so believe me when I say that the defeat from Monday night rolled off of our backs like water off a mud duck.

We are not the type of people who would go around defacing public property just to rub defeat in your face, as did one of you who spray painted "GO HOME PACKERS" all over the foot bridge a few years back after a loss to the Vikings. We are also not likely to start riots out in the courtyards on campus trying to induce people into a rage by yelling phrases such as "The Packers suck!" Now, as you can see, we may enjoy poking a little fun here and there, but that is a little different. Anyway, the point that I'm trying to make is this: I think that you Minnesotans really need to take a long hard look at the accomplishments of your team since their birth and compare them to those of America's Pack, then come to us and tell us who is the better team. So, you see, that is why we can take your immature actions with a grain of salt.

As for now, we will see you all in the Metrodome on Nov. 22, and because the Packers are in town, your stadium will be sold out. Therefore, you Vikings fans will actually get to see a home game on TV, and even if it comes out another loss, we natural-born Packers fans will always know who is the better team.

Sincerely,
A true Packers fan

To the UW-Stout student body,

We have just celebrated a tremendous Homecoming weekend. Not only did the UW-Stout Volleyball Team win an important tournament, but the Blue Devil Football Team won a stunning victory over our arch rivals, the Blugolds of Eau Claire. Also, we awarded a plaque to our Women's Basketball Team for being recognized by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association for having the highest team GPA of any Division III team in the country.

But, beyond all of that, we celebrated Homecoming and our great victories in a very mature manner. It is a real tribute to this student body that there were no significant incidents involving alcohol, assault, or misbehavior.

It is a pleasure serving this university because we have such a fine student body. Give yourselves a round of applause!

Students, thank you.

Charles W. Sorensen
Chancellor

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Campus Slant

Where's the strangest place you've woken up?



"In the middle of a field when it was below zero."

Mike Laconte
Sophomore
Graphic Comm. Mgmt.



"On my roof with my blanket."

Racquel Schwieder
Senior
Interior Design



"In a gutter in New York."

Eric Lund
Junior
Construction Mgmt.



"On a stranger's front porch after a party."

Jacque Hein
Senior
Interior Design



"In a garage...in a red wagon."

Michelle Pilney
Junior
Business

Next Week's Question: Crop circles: a hoax or form of higher life?

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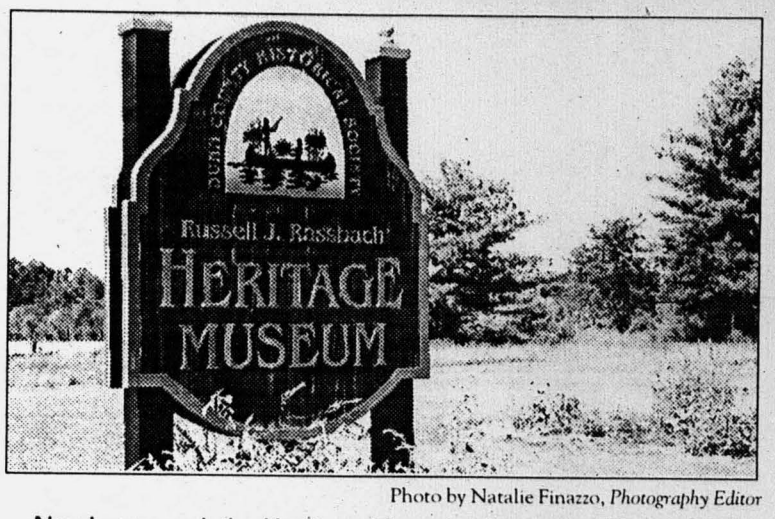


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Newly opened, the Heritage Museum is a part of Dunn County Historical Museum. Inside, Menomonie's historical facts can be found.

by Emily Kores
Staff Reporter

Whether a returning student or a new student, the question remains, what is there to do in Menomonie? Scratch that. What is there to do that doesn't involve alcohol, lots of money, and a lot of driving?

There are a lot of activities in Menomonie and many of them are centered around the campus. The small town environment surrounding Stout means that activities don't necessarily jump out. Students have to look. Campus activities are everywhere. Here are a few samples pulled from the numerous bulletin boards around campus:

Every Thursday there is an avant-garde film sponsored by the Fine Arts Association in the Applied Arts building at 7p.m.

For only a couple of dollars, students can play racquetball. Watch for the Fieldhouse's coupons in the mail; free rentals can be obtained.

Watch others get funky via the observation windows looking down on the MPR during the UW-Stout Dance Team practices (selected afternoons 4:30-7:00 p.m.)

Visit a few of Menomonie's art galleries (well, pretty much the only ones) which are conveniently located on campus in the Memorial Student Center and in Micheels Hall.

Relax in the Rec Center in the aforementioned Student Center. Attractions include bowling, an arcade, and pool tables. Featured attractions include bowling teams and competition.

Get lost in the library: silly as it sounds there is a plethora of obscure periodicals, handfuls of hardcovers, and even a nicely aged collection of vinyl all lurking within.

If one should choose to venture out into the hustle and bustle of Menomonie, there are numerous entertainment opportunities which will reward the person who finds them:

Tour the historic Mabel Tainter Theatre. Built over 100 years ago, tours are only $3 for students. Theatre events that are Mabel Tainter sponsored (call 235-0001 to inquire) are only $5 for students when purchased the same day of the show.

See the newly opened (last spring) Dunn County Historical Museum in Waconda Park, off of Broadway in north Menomonie. Featured in the picturesque park on the shores of Lake Menomin are buffalo and deer. Call 232-8685 Wednesday-Saturday for museum hours.

Behold the great pumpkin patch. Located south of Menomonie on Paradise Road lies the historic pumpkin patch in all its seasonal glory, boasting well over 70,000 pumpkins.

Get holistic: for a mere $10 per service, students can indulge in some of the healthful "retreats" offered at the Helios Center, during their Health Blitzes on Thursday, Oct. 15 and Thursday, Nov. 19. Services offered include: massage, reflexology, rolfing, EMDR therapy, and chiropractic services. Call 235-7333 for details.

Scope out the State Trail. It truly is lovely! The Red Cedar State Trail draws thousands of visitors from all parts of the state and its right in our backyard. Students can walk or bike for miles under a canopy of trees along the Red Cedar River. If it takes awhile to get out there, don't fret; students can cross country ski on the trail in the wintertime. Equipment can be rented in the park office as well.

Sing the blues. On the last Sunday of every month, Cafe Del Sol hosts a blues dinner with celebrated blues man Cornbread Harris (Minneapolis). The cover charge to listen to the tunes is only $2. Call 235-1941 for details.

Stock up cheap. Watch for the Lammer's Thursday sales, which usually last until midnight and feature groceries at practically free prices. Its also fun to watch bargain-hungry shoppers fight over who can get the most cans of 20 cent mushrooms.

Slightly outside of Menomonie lie some interesting destinations as well. Get together with some friends and head for the wide open spaces:

Discover our area's hidden gem - the Bullfrog Fish Farm, where one can not only witness freshwater trout being raised, but can check out the crayfish and pigs that coexist peacefully on this utopian farm of sorts.

Herbie is also a must see. Tours are free, and bait is sold so students can fish. Call (715) 664-8775 for details and changing seasonal hours.

Get down to Downsville. Less than 10 miles outside of Menomonie is Downsville, home of the Creamery and Dunn County Pottery. This rustic country inn houses a restaurant, pottery shop, and sumptuous fresh-baked goods.

Although at times it may seem like finding entertainment in Menomonie is like finding a needle in a haystack, remember the locale and appreciate it.

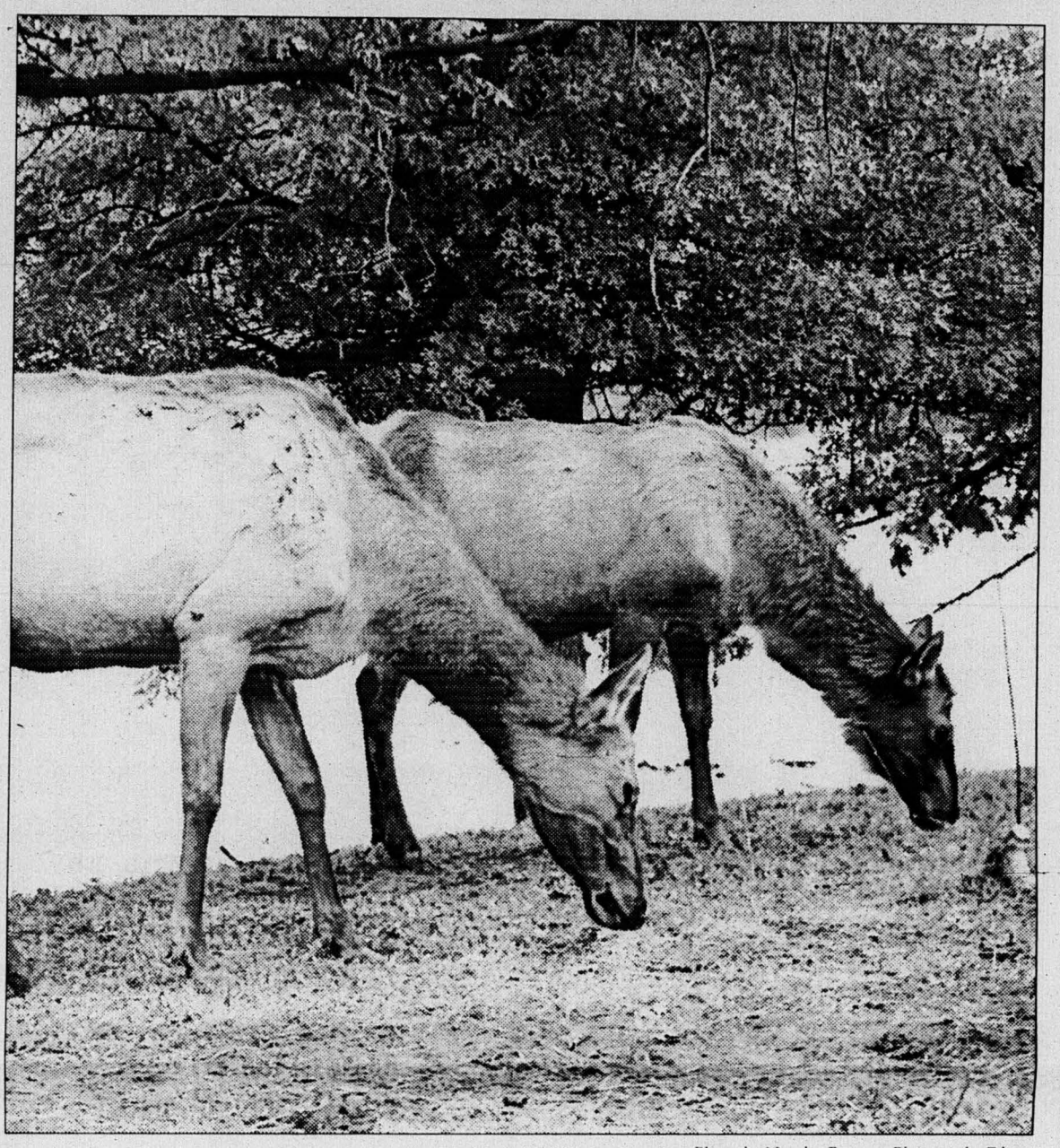
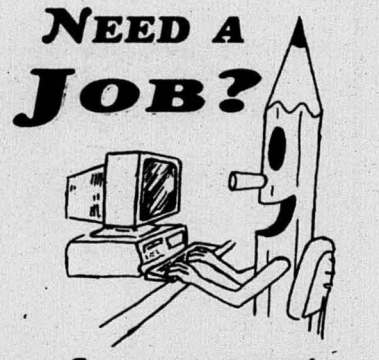
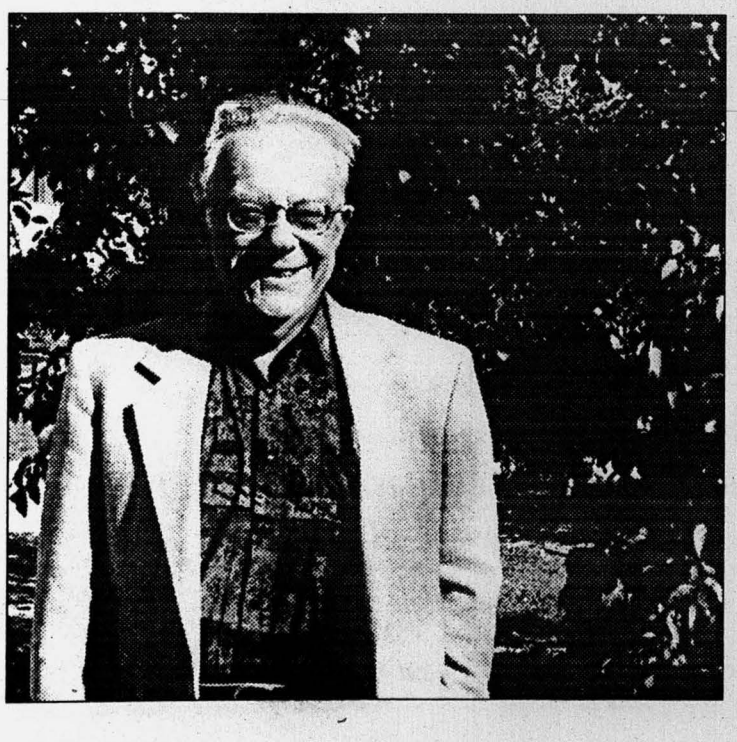


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In a wildlife setting, deer and buffalo roam the range of the Dunn County Historical Museum. Free to all, these animals can be visited "in the wild."



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Faculty Profile: *Richard Gardner*

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

A segment of Socrates' philosophy was that people know things even though they think they don't. He emphasized practicality when analyzing a situation. In one of his estimated 20 published writings, Richard Gardner talked of the way Socrates would have spoken to people at UW-Stout. His essay in *Reminisses*, which was published through Stout's sentential, compared the qualities of Stout to this great philosopher. In addition, Gardner has been published in other literary works. From humor to analysis, he has implemented thought and creativity into his work.

"People don't get confused with sophistication," he said of how people may get carried away at other institutions, making grand theories that don't make any sense and taking half an idea and trying to produce a whole solution. Here, at Stout, he states, "People don't go off the deep end."

Third grade marked the beginning of Gardner's desire to write. At his teacher's bidding to write more, he found all the push he needed. "Here's how I could become a legitimate human being," he realized when the kids raved his work. "I had fans...then I became more interested in the writing," he said in awe. From there, he received a degree in Creative Writing from Standford. This lead him to University of Iowa where he went on for his master's. He then taught in UW-Superior for one year before finding his niche at Stout. Since 1970, when he arrived, he has never applied to anywhere else.

An obvious passion to Gardner, writing has touched him throughout his life. When asked why he writes, he simply answers, "I don't think there's any other choice. If I'm sitting down for 20 minutes, I'm writing something; things never seem right until they are on a page."

In his straight-forward way, Gardner says getting married has made him who he is today. As though speaking in rhythm, he chants, "She married me for who I was, and I got to be more who I was because she married me." He then talked of how his wife is a flea market fan, painting a story of how he created "Flea Bytes," a newsletter derived from stories he would write while sitting in the cafe watching people at the flea market.

Gardner continues to create, both in his literary work and by enlightening students to the many possibilities of writing.

Stoutonia Style

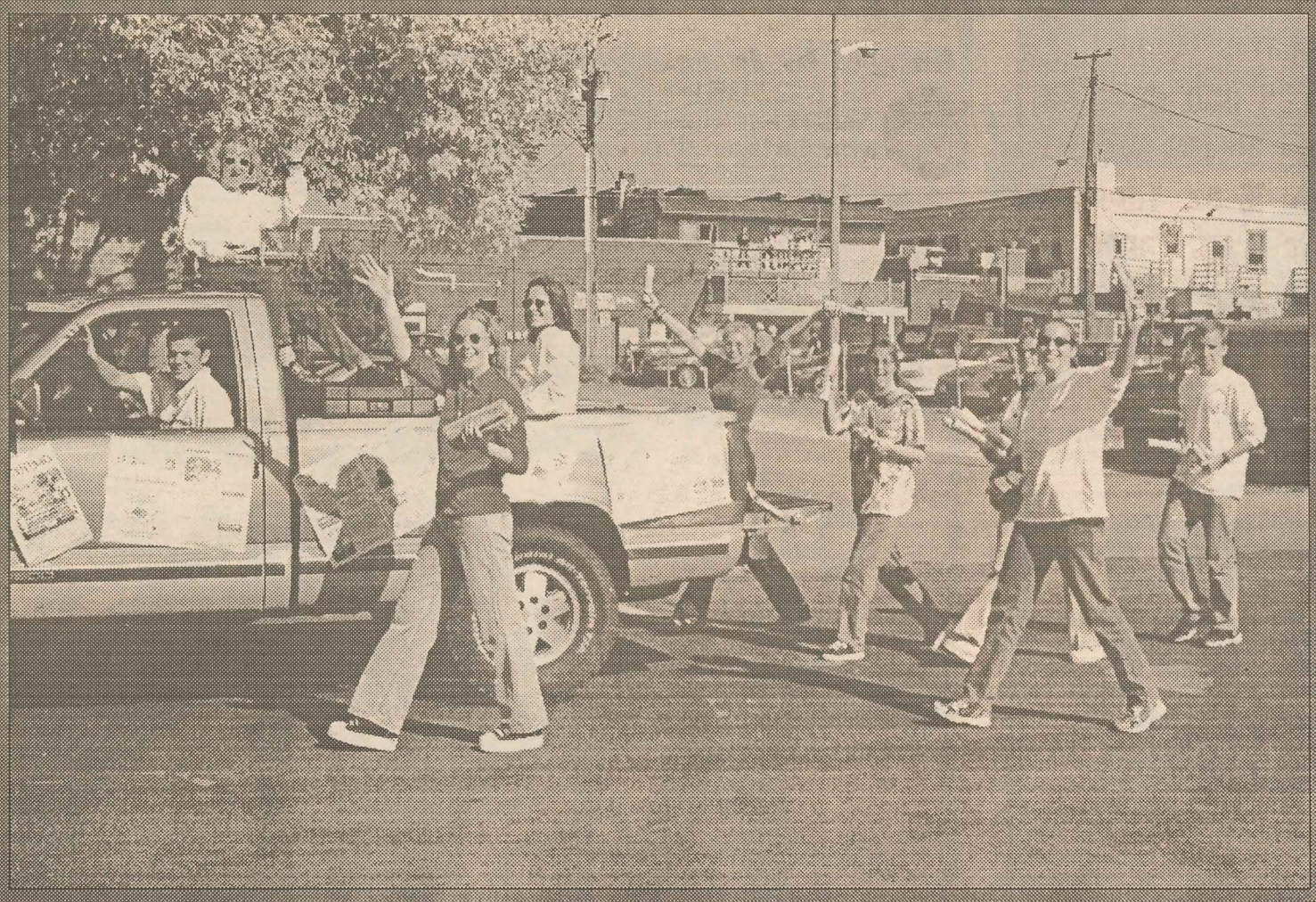


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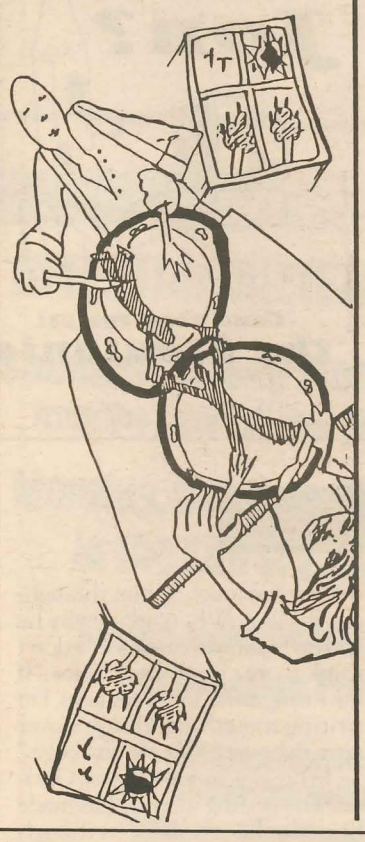
The Stoutonia staff gets hyped while part of Homecoming festivities. Dressed in seventies, they handed out pens which coined the motto, "We put out on Thursdays." Along with those, the last week's paper was distributed wrapped in a front page taken from a Stoutonia of the seventies.

Leold www.leold.com
by Roger and Salem Salloom© 1997

When my girlfriend and I go out for breakfast I always order decaffeinated coffee with two sugars and light on the cream.

My quiet shy girlfriend frequently orders her coffee black, no sugar with a side order of a little male doll with a long hat pin through it's stomach.

When she does that I always offer to pay the bill.



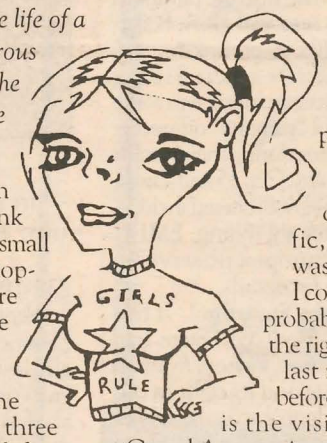
...Just Another Day

Just Another Day will be appearing periodically. Chloe depicts the life of a typical college student. Addressed within this column are the humorous accounts of a real college student's life. This week Chloe continues the saga of last week's accident. Within the confines of this column is the play by play of every detail.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

So, last week I recounted the events which led up to "the accident." I got up to the point where I thought I was safe. We had just gotten off the Interstate, and I was checking my blood pressure (one can never be too careful about things like that). We simultaneously checked our watches to find we had 15 minutes to find the place, organize our thoughts, and begin our presentations. So I'm looking on the sheet of paper someone had the audacity to call a map and start looking for the arena we are suppose to be at in 13 minutes. Hey, it's not on the map. I tried to figure this out. In the key it was listed as number 17, yet when you looked for number 17 on the map it was non-existent. This is where one starts to wonder if some sick cartographer got his kicks out of leaving out valuable information just to screw people over.

Ten minutes left, we pull through town. I think our logic was a little off that day, because our gameplan was to cruise Eau Claire until we found it. How small could an arena be anyway? I had the bright idea to at least get on campus, since I don't think we would have had a very good chance finding it by the shopping mall. "Turn left on State Street," I said using intuition (and the map). Well I think the road signs are a little too small because we were at the stoplight for State Street before we even realized it. Shit, we all said. (I said it anyway.) I don't know who...but someone had the bright idea of crossing over three lanes of traffic to get in the left turn lane. It sounded like a good idea at the time. Look, we had seven minutes to get there, we couldn't afford to make a mistake. The driver weaves through traffic basically cutting off cars and pissing off their drivers (and I thought I was reckless). My head turned backwards to point and laugh at the drivers honking, yelling, and giving us the finger. Suckers, I laughed.



I turned my head back around to find us taking a left. There is something wrong with this picture. Not only are we turning into oncoming traffic, but the traffic was not stopping. I concluded that we probably did not have the right-of-way? The last memory I have before "the accident" is the vision of a white Grand Am coming straight toward my door.

This scene takes me back to the part of Austin Powers where Austin is driving the steamroller and an officer is standing in the path screaming "NOOOOO!" The humor in this scene, if one hasn't actually seen the movie, is that the steamroller is about 50 feet away from the guy, is inching along, and the guy just stands there. Similar situation here. I see this car coming and everything turned to slow motion. I couldn't move, all I could do was brace myself and close my eyes. Then it happened...

I slid one eye open and analyzed the situation. We were in the middle of the intersection, and cars were backed up in all directions. My window had shattered, and there were pieces of glass all over my seat and me. Later I realized that on impact the window had cracked and when my head lashed back, it went through the glass. The joke now is that I must have a really hard head. I tell people I already knew that, it wasn't necessary to go through the pain to demonstrate it.

That's my story. The rest is basic. The police came, and I picked the multiple pieces of glass from my body. The car ended up being totaled, and the officer was pretty amazed I sat where I did. His comment was, "Wow, you really sat there, you could have been really hurt." Thanks buddy, that's just what I wanted to hear after going through all that hell. I feel much better now, thanks.

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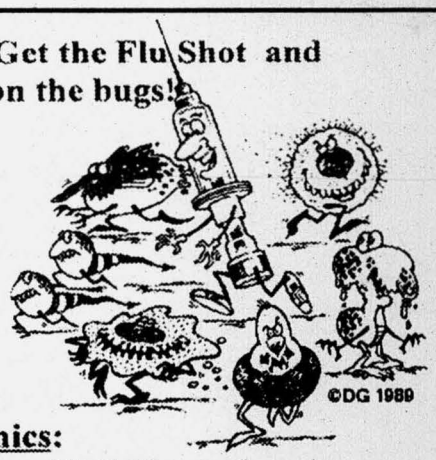
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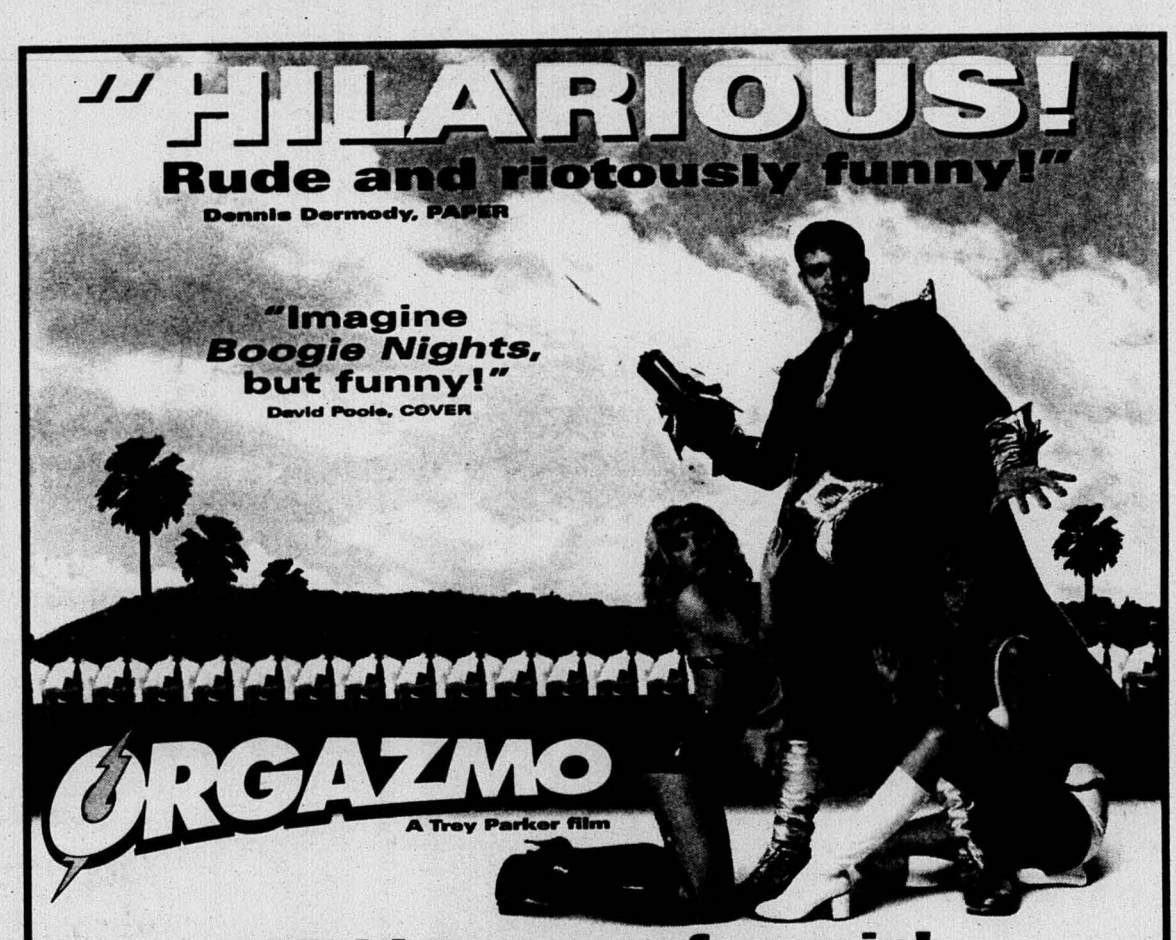
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ROGUE PICTURES

See the ultimate feel good movie October 23rd



Members of the co-ed fraternity, Kappa Lambda Beta, took a break from their hectic weekend activities, to pause for this picture in front of their glorious home. KLB took top honors earlier in the week, defeating the competition at Stunt Night.

70s Homecomins Hype

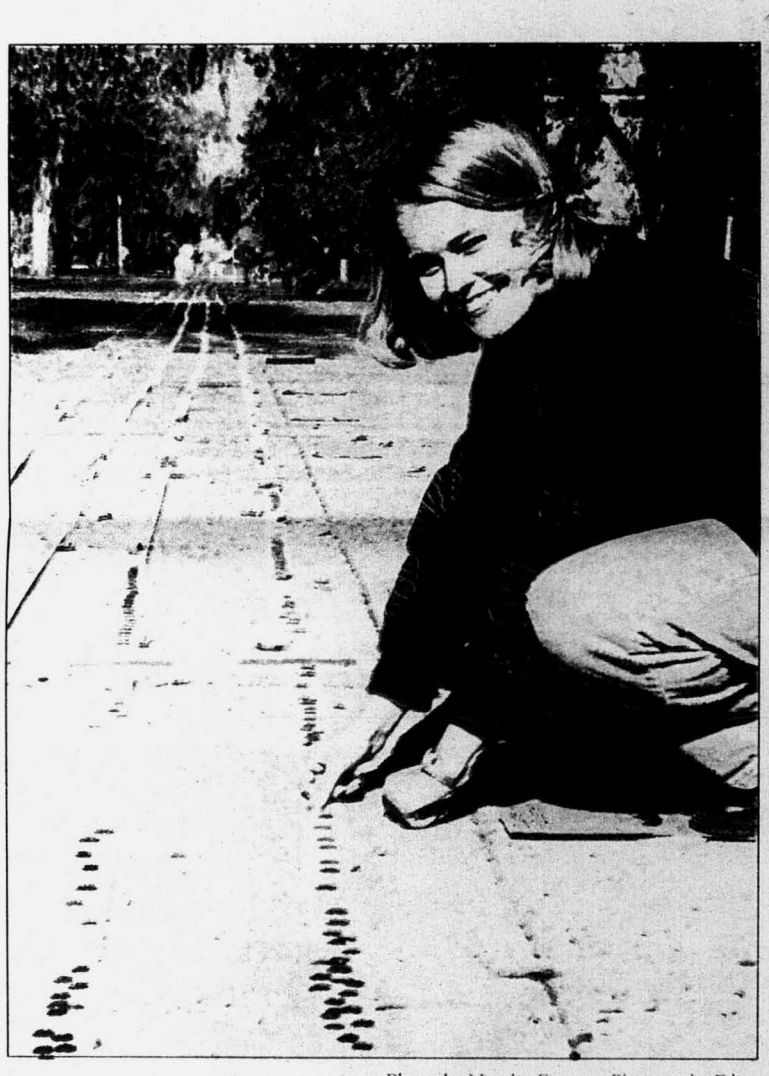


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Aiding her sorority, Tri Sigma, on their "Quarter mile of quarters" service project, President Sonja takes a moment to inspect the handiwork. The week long project was highly successful, raising hundreds of dollars for the Robbie Page Memorial and Breast Cancer awareness.



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Opening Kappa Lambda Beta's swinging 1970s fashion show on Wednesday was Gunner. Bearing a suede tank top and the all important bell bottoms, he was well rounded by sporting Magnum P.I. sunglasses.

The Homecoming Song
(sung to the tune of The Chanukah Song)

Put on your seventies
Keep your pants above your knees Do anything that you please
But try to avoid drinking fees

Homecoming is the festival of Stout
Where everyone is happy
It's no doubt

If you were out of town
for the entire week
Organizations had contests
Some of them were Greek
Chalking, bowling, penny wars and a fashion show
Interviews for the royalty
all trying to raise the dough

Phi Sigma Phi
won the bowling gig
You know who won the Spirit Award,
that was Tri Sig

Andrew Kirkman wore the crown,
Danielle Barta too
Put them together,
what a fine lookin' crew

The Cross Country Team, not a float
But guess what they wore?
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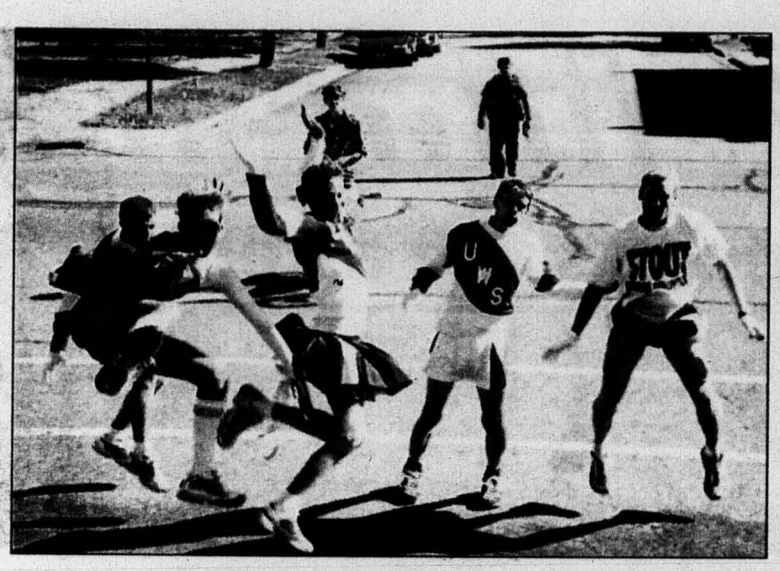


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Sporting new get-ups which will allow for freer leg movement in their upcoming meets, the Cross Country running squad was an eyeful during Saturday's parade.



Photo by Lisa Harris, *Staff Photographer*

Rolling with this afro baring, disco dancing stallion, the Black Student Union danced to the tunes of the seventies. They were a sure crowd pleaser, selling brats near the Student Center and drawing applause for their groovy dancing talents.



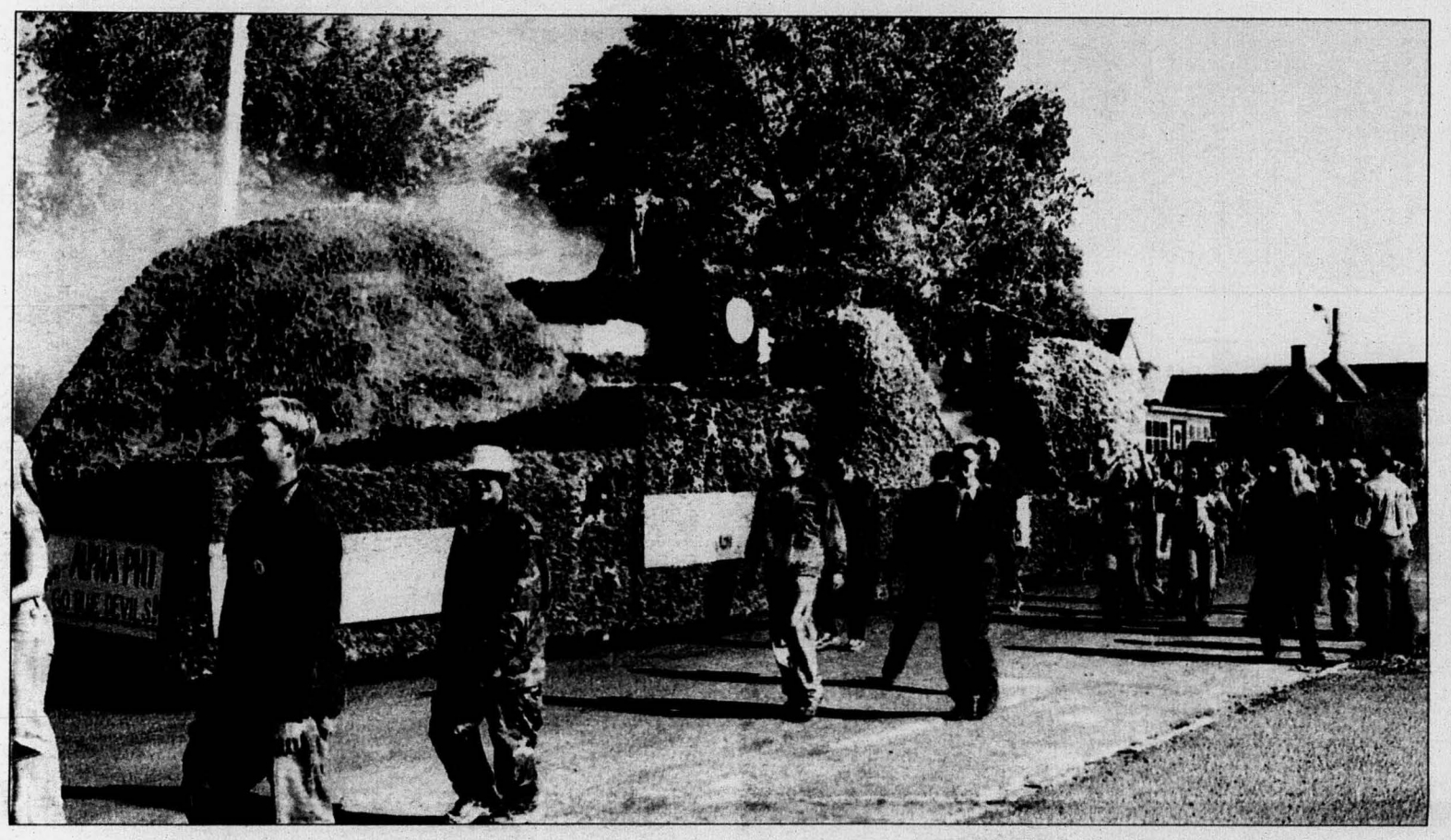


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Wowing the crowd with their accurate portrayal, the dukes of DECA chased each other throughout the parade. DECA came all decked out, with costumes representing Bo, Luke, Daisy Duke, Boss Hogg, and Rosco P. Coltrane.

Chi Lambda and Alpha Phi teamed up to provide the parade with just the right flavor of the 1970s. Toting various highlights of the decade, the duo blew away the competition, taking home top honors for their design.



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King Andrew Kirkman looks on as Danielle Barta is crowned Homecoming Queen. Both partook in Homecoming week festivities that placed them ahead of the other contestants in various organizations. Congratulations King Andrew and Queen Danielle!

Visual extravaganza paints the afterlife

Rated: PG-13
Starring: Robin Williams, Cuba Gooding Jr., Max von Sydow, and Annabella Sciorra

First off, I have to admit that I wasn't really able to get too deep into this movie, mainly because it was about the power of true love and that love conquers all. Either way, I'm not currently dating anyone right now, (*sniff, sniff*) so it was hard for me to connect. It had a tendency to remind me of the movie *Ghost*.



Phil Skrivvedt

The movie takes you through a wide range of emotions, and if you've ever experienced the death of someone close to you, you'll probably be crying within the first 30 minutes. The plot is centered around your average "Joe Family Man," Chris Nelson (Robin Williams), and it focuses on his abilities to cope with death and the strange, new world of the afterlife. It's another excellent dramatic performance by Williams, but the cake stealer has to be Sciorra. Her performance as a wife on the verge of insanity is outstanding.

Yeah, it's a little on the sappy side, but if you're not into love stories...NEVER FEAR! It still works in some comedy via the occasional Williams joke and the special effects were off the board. It can make you feel as if you're in some strange, abstract painting or on a bad acid trip, whichever you prefer. This is especially apparent when the characters venture into hell, it's a Manson video waiting to happen.

Of course, the movie isn't purely a visual experience; it had its share of meaningful dialogue too - most of which makes you think about how fast your life can go and if there might be an afterworld after all. Unfortunately, I felt that the film had a tendency to concentrate too much on the power of the parent's love, rather than the power of the family as a whole.

I would suggest catching *What Dreams May Come*, and if you've seen it and liked it, I've heard that the book is even better. However, be forewarned: men especially, that it contains some emotional scenes, but don't be scared off. It could win you some valuable bonus points as the tender-hearted boyfriend.

One last thought: by all means, do not see this movie if mind-altering drugs are on the menu. You risk losing all bodily functions, doomed to wear adult diapers at a premature age. Very attractive.

Still, all hazards aside, I'm giving this one four out of five ying yangs, discounted because of the film's lack of family bonding.

That's my bed, and I'm sleeping in it.

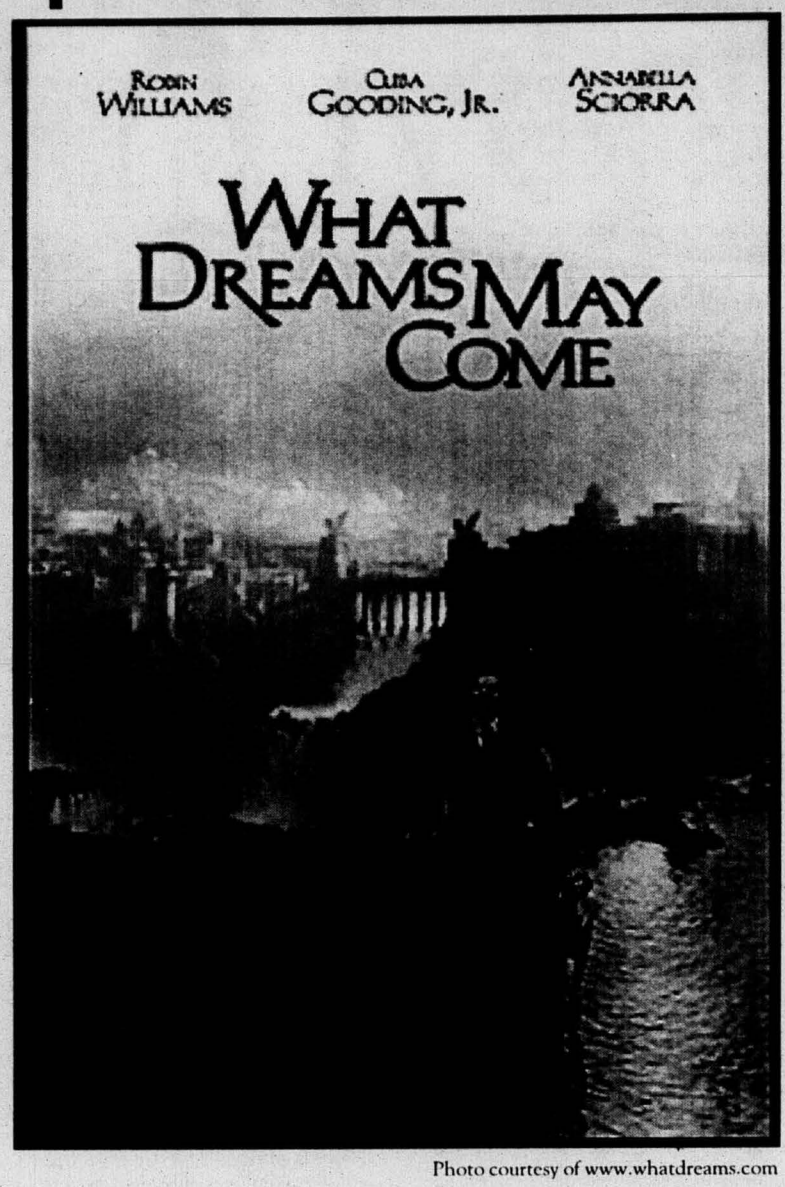


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Chris Nelson (Robin Williams) ventures through the afterlife in search of his wife (Annabella Sciorra). The film is a visual masterpiece, painting the terrain many different shades.

THIS WEEK'S TOP 10 GROSSING MOVIES:
(Amounts in millions)

1.	*Antz*	($15.4)
2.	*Rush Hour*	($11.5)
3.	*What Dreams May Come*	($11.0)
4.	*A Night at the Roxbury*	($6.2)
5.	*Holy Man*	($5.2)
6.	*Ronin*	($4.8)
7.	*Urban Legend*	($4.8)
8.	*Something About Mary*	($3.0)
9.	*One True Thing*	($2.0)
10.	*Saving Private Ryan*	($1.4)

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by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Your main problem? You're not eating nearly enough strudel.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) You'll find that classes are beginning to bore you. Find ways to make the time bearable. Start a poker game in the back of the room. Enforce a cover charge.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) You're going to need a source of money flow soon. Think of several ways to fundraise. Maybe you could sell stupid T-shirts with credit card names on them.



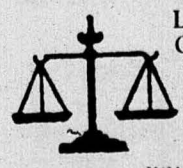
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Go out and buy a brand new tea set today. Invite the neighbors over for crumpets and enjoy light pleasantries. Insist that they wear the doilies that you supplied on their heads.



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Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You'll be in a hurry and will accidentally tuck your shirt into your zipper today without knowing it, because everybody will shield their laughter. Stay low; people will forget about it sooner or later.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) A weinerdog will attempt to bite your ankles today. Don't run, you might step on him.



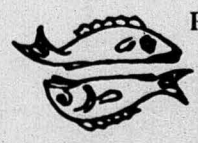
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) I'd stay in this weekend if I were you. People have not yet forgotten the unfortunate occurrence last week involving your hair, a small fire, and a whole bag of marshmallows.



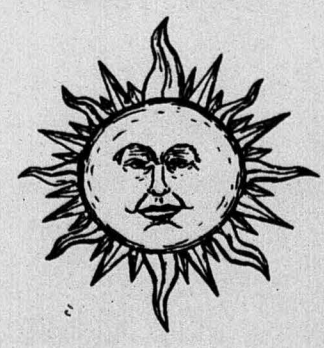
Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Excellent day to make odd hand gestures at people you don't know.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) In your rush to class, you will trip over a loose curbstone and will damage your left ear. Don't worry, you have another one. People will look at you strangely, but it's only because they are jealous of your new hairpiece.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Seek medical attention for that itch.



Returning to the vault: *Raging Bull*

Released in 1980, *Raging Bull* was heralded as a cinematic masterpiece and was nominated in Academy Award categories such as Best Picture, Best Director, and Best Supporting Actor. The film earned its star, Robert DeNiro, the coveted Best Actor award. Despite its recognition, awards, and countless critics carrying it on their shoulders, this past week the movie lulled me to sleep. The Martin Scorsese release should come with a simple disclaimer: Caution: Do not operate heavy machinery after watching!



Corey Klein

This film should not be recommended to your worst enemies and could possibly be used as military strategy in World War III. The armed forces game plan? Sneak the video behind enemy lines, and lure soldiers into viewing the release in hopes that they will fall into depression and commit suicide.

The plot, laden with as many potholes as Crescent Street, is the autobiography of one-time middleweight boxing champ Jake La Motta. Brought up in an Italian-dominated Bronx neighborhood, Jack (DeNiro) and brother Joey (Joe Pesci) team up as boxer and manager in a bid for the title. Along the way they are brought to Detroit, Cleveland, and Madison Square Garden, fighting the likes of Sugar Ray Robinson and Billy Fox.

In a quest for glory, they run into the typical characters one would expect in a Scorsese film. Jake quickly leaves his wife after an affair with Vicki (Cathy Moriarty), whom he becomes insanely obsessed with. Also on the scene is Salvi (Frank Vincent), a neighborhood hustler who befriends Joey, and Tommy (Nicholas Colasanto, Coach on "Cheers") as a social club owner always on the lookout for a hot betting tip.

After waging war on the middleweight division, Jack finally wins his title belt after a decade of trading blows. In the meantime, he has effectively alienated himself from any meaningful relationships, including his abusive marriage to Vicki. He becomes insanely protective of his wife's beauty, attempting to shield her from any other man. This problem leads him to turn on everyone, including, eventually, his own brother.

In the early fifties, Jack retires to the Miami area to open a club where he can begin a second career as a comedian. As his jokes begin to fade and appropriateness lost, so does Jack's perceptions of the law. Soon Vicki leaves and files for divorce, as Jack is jailed for illegal activities.

Audiences will have difficulty with the closing of this movie. As it becomes apparent that Jack's admirable traits are at a bare minimum, it is impossible to feel for him in his situation. Yet this is what Scorsese yearns for in Jack's pitiful situation.

Viewer disclaimer:

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The script is much too tight for the feeling of the film, leaving no room for the actors to become comfortable with their lines. This is most apparent when Jack is courting Vicki-they trade stiff lines which make the average viewer choke and gag. Come on! Moriarty and DeNiro, together a dynamic duo of talent and experience, both look as stiff as boards in their scenes.

Pesci is of no aid to the tandem. The portrayal Pesci delivers answers the question as to why he accepted the *Home Alone* role. Here in a freshman-like awe, the actor is lost at times, almost starry-eyed.

At times, I wondered how a wonderful director and talented actors and actresses could choose this stiff, cardboard cutout story to invest their time in. No character development and limited character interaction inhibits this storyline from the get-go.

As could be guessed, this film did not earn high marks. Stiff acting, uninteresting cinematography, and poor scripting take away all the fun this movie could have been. Only one out of five hourglasses for this release, representing the two hours of life lost while witnessing this monstrosity. Save yourselves; skip out on this one when looking for classic films.

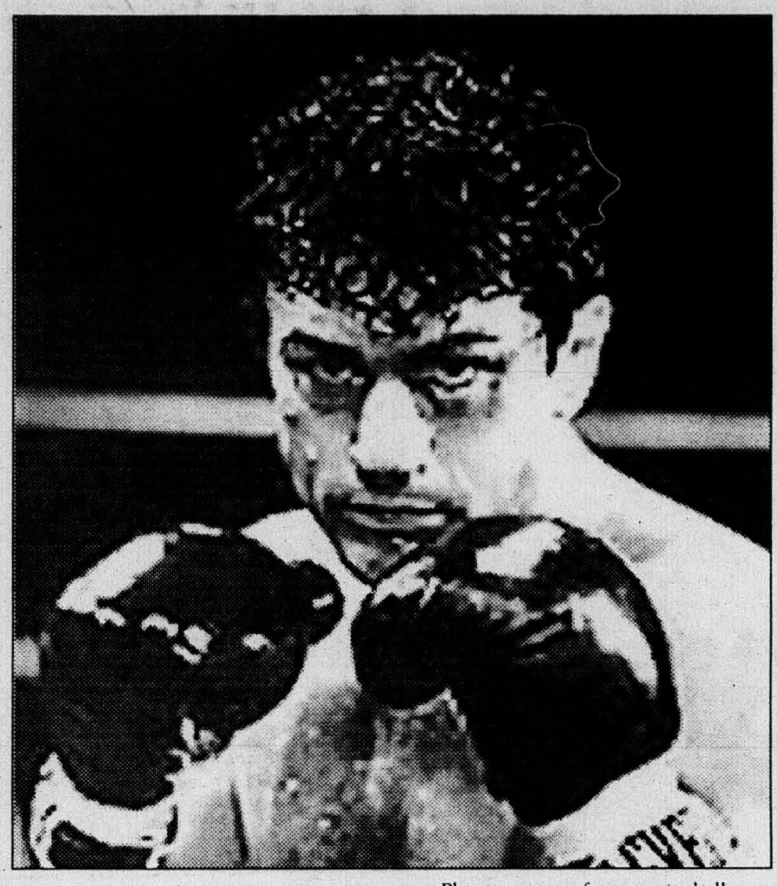


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Robert DeNiro won an Academy Award in 1980 for his portrayal of 1940s middleweight boxer Jack La Motta. Despite critics' praise, DeNiro delivers a subpar performance, often looking stiff and uncomfortable in his role.

The film:

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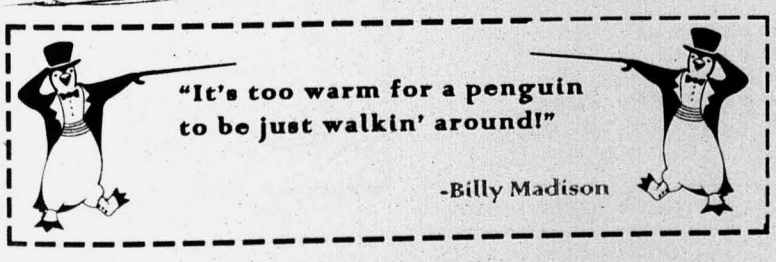
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Oct. 6 through Oct. 24

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-Billy Madison



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Blue Devils blow out rival Blugolds

■ Eau Claire watched their perfect record slip away in front of a frenzied Blue Devil crowd

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

It's no mistake that a football game consists of two halves. The Blue Devil Football Team proved that point this past weekend in a 35-7 Homecoming win over the previously undefeated Blugolds of Eau Claire.

The Blugolds took little time to put their first points on the board, as Eau Claire quarterback Sean Hoolihan connected with Steve Crutchley for a 30-yard score with just over 11 minutes left in the first period. Ironically, that completed the scoring between these two offensive machines for the first half.

The second half would prove to be all for the Blue Devils. After a lack-lustre performance in the first half, Stout's offense worked like a well-oiled machine in the second, putting up record numbers.

"We felt we needed to stretch the pressure defense of Eau Claire in order to be effective offensively," said Head Coach Ed Meierkort of the Devil's second half strategy. Senior quarterback Matt Bunyan took immediate assault on the Eau Claire defense, hooking up with Shawn Lund out of the backfield for a 47-yard scoring strike. After recovering a Hoolihan fumble, it was the same combination, Bunyan to Lund, which accounted for Stout's second score less, than three minutes later.

Trailing 14-7 late in the third quarter, Eau Claire marched down the field with intentions of knotting the contest at 14. However, freshman defensive back, Tony Beckham, along with the rest of the Devil defense, had other plans. With the Blugolds facing fourth and goal at Stout's three-yard line, Beckham stepped up to stop BJ Jones at the two-yard line, turning the ball over on downs to the potent Stout offense.

The Devil offense proceeded to advance the ball down the field on a four-minute drive, resulting in a 27-yard touchdown pass from Bunyan to junior wide-out Jesse Diaz. This 98-yard march highlighted by a fingertip, drive-sustaining catch by junior receiver John Bekish, proved to be the backbreaker for the Blugolds.

The rest is history...literally.



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Wide receiver Jesse Diaz anticipates a pass from Matt Bunyan while escaping a near tackle for an early fourth quarter touchdown. After an unproductive first half, in which Stout trailed by seven, Bunyan and Diaz hooked up on several drives for the win.

Bunyan went on to throw for two more touchdowns, one a 50-yard connection with Jesse Witcraft, the other a one-yard strike to Diaz. On the day, Bunyan accumulated a record-breaking 444 yards of passing. He also completed 19 of his 32 pass attempts, hitting his stride in the second half, connecting on 15 of 20, and amassing 300 yards and all five touchdowns in the final two quarters.

The Stout offense had a historic day, but the Devil defense is what made the difference in the game. "We worked hard on letting the kids' instincts take over," said Coach Meierkort of Stout's defense, after bouncing back from a poor performance against La Crosse, which he attributed to over-coaching.

The Devils had a day off to enjoy the victory over Eau Claire, and will now direct their focus towards defeating another undefeated team as they head west to take on UW-River Falls this weekend.



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

The previously undefeated Blugolds may have dominatated the first half, but they could not hold on to their momentum for long. The Blue Devil defense was able to hold the Blugolds to minimal gains, allowing for many scoring opportunities in the second half. A pivotal Eau Claire fumble, prompted by Tony Spencer and Ehrich Shaw, opened the doors for a hostile take over.

Soccer Team downed in home finish

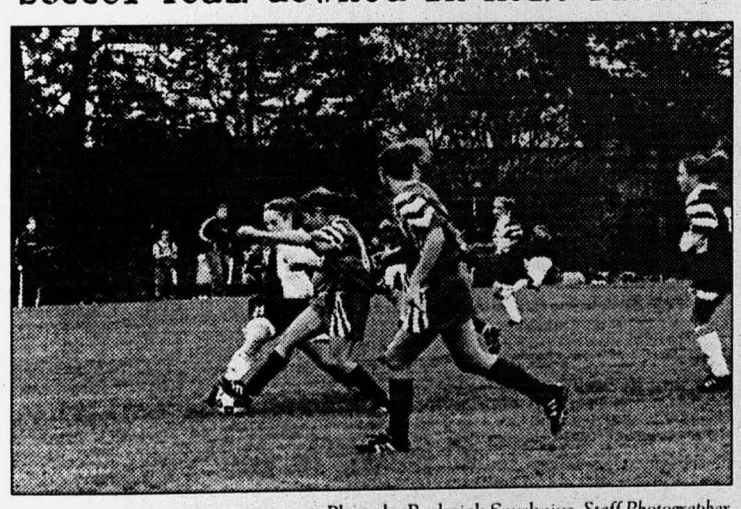


Photo by Roderick Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

Bethel College got in Stout's way this past Wednesday as the Devils fell 2-0 in their last home game of the season.

Stout Volleyball dominates home court Invitational

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

The air was charged with excitement. It was match two, game two, and the score was UW-Stout, 16, Bethel, 15. Adding to the feeling of anticipation already palpable enough to shake even the most experienced of players is the fact that the 16-15 score didn't reflect the 13-8 deficit from which the Blue Devils had fought back. A few tense moments later saw the Stout Women's Volleyball Team win the closest round they would have to play during Saturday's Invitational. To say that the Blue Devils were poor hosts would be something of an understatement. *Thanks for coming guys. Great match, and oh yeah, the participation ribbons are by the door on the way out.* The innuendo here is that the ribbons were in a pile next to their dignity, which Stout intends to keep. Saturday's showing was a great example of how.

While not exactly a rout, Stout's victories, with the notable exception of the aforementioned Bethel match, were absolute. Taking two games in a series of three matches each, they made a showing worthy of their 14-5 win/loss record. Both wins come in non-conference play, but the taste of victory was a sweet one, albeit a foreign delicacy.

Consider Macalaster. Last time these two teams took the court opposite one another was Sept. 12, capping off a long, hot tournament hosted by Augsburg. It took the Blue Devils five games, but being stout of heart, they reigned victorious. This meeting was met with fresh legs, and a steeled demeanor. Coach Jill Jolliff, like any good leader, knew it would be a different game than their last meeting was, and her hopes for the game were only surpassed by the stats. A balanced offense led by Monica Cyrus, Tori Feit, and Heather Cassell, with nine kills

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Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Cross Country

The UW-Stout Men's Cross Country Team used three top 10 finishes to place second at the Blugold Invitational last Friday at the Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax.

Josh Johnson finished seventh in a time of 26:38 to lead the Blue Devils, but he had teammates Clint Latz and Ethan Webinger right on his trail. Latz clocked a 26:40, while Webinger came in at 26:43.

Host UW-Eau Claire held on to four top 10 finishes to take the meet.

The Blue Devils return to action Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Jim Drews Invitational hosted by UW-La Crosse in West Salem.

Women's Cross Country

Katie Jacobson finished second and Katy Olsen finished third to lead the UW-Stout Women's Cross Country Team to a third place finish at the Blugold Invitational Friday at the Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax.

Jacobson clocked a time of 18:34, while Olsen cruised the course in 18:41.

The Blue Devils return to action Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Tori Neubauer Invitational hosted by UW-La Crosse in West Salem.

Men's Soccer

Oct. 10

The visiting Blue Devils played evenly matched with a high-powered University of Minnesota team, before falling helplessly behind late in the first half. Minnesota, used to walking all over their opponents, took until the 42-minute mark to slip through the Blue Devil defense. The hosts then went on to score two more in the second half, defeating the Blue Devils 3-0.

Oct. 11

Stout took advantage of a weakened River Falls team to hone in on their offensive skills. Todd Demerit continuously fed his teammates, ending the day with three assists. When the dust settled, goals by Crosby Warren, Brooke Erickson, Corey Klein, and two by striker Chad Elert paced the Devils to a 5-1 win. Upon completing the regular season, Stout stands at 3-3-4, totaling 13 points, and anticipating league competition this weekend, hopes to earn a birth into regional playoffs.

Women's Tennis

Oct. 10

UW-Stout's Lauren Mader won at No. 1 singles and teamed up with Ann Jackson to win at No. 1 doubles as the Blue Devils fell, 7-2, to UW-Stevens Point Saturday.

Mader breezed to her singles win, downing Amy Oswald, 6-2, 6-3, and Mader and Jackson had almost as easy a time at No. 1 doubles, taking Jenny Oelke and Oswald, 6-3, 6-4.

Stout returns to conference play this weekend when they travel to UW-La Crosse Friday, Oct. 16 and to UW-Eau Claire, Saturday, Oct. 17.

Women's Soccer

Oct. 9

After a scoreless first half, the nets opened as Edgewood College downed UW-Stout, 3-2, in non-conference soccer action at the River Heights Elementary field.

The Blue Devils spent much of the first half in the Edgewood zone, but came up just short or wide several times.

Five minutes into the half, Edgewood's Shonna Lybeck put in the first goal of the game. Julie Veloff of Edgewood put in the next goal shortly after with a pass from Kate Zomboracz.

Stout answered back with Jessica Unterweger, scoring off a pass from Alyssa Halverson. Egdewood put away another goal from Lybeck with a pass from Julie Veloff. Stout scored the final goal of the game with Halverson picking up her second goal of the night.

Women's Soccer battles to gain a foothold over Bethel



Photo by Roderick Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

Bethel College jumped out to an early lead and continued to dominate with a breakaway seven minutes into the second half. The Blue Devils pressed the Royals in an attempt to regain control, but each time came up just short and remained scoreless.

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each, bottled Macalaster with straight scores of 15-6, 15-5, and 15-8.

The pace quickened for the second half of the Invitational, and Stout's asserted dominance was questioned by a talented Bethel team. However, once again the Blue Devils showed just how driven and talented a team they are.

Supported by Cyrus' nine kills and Feit's 11, Stoddard and Cassell each stepped up their performances with 15 kills independently. Cassell also came through with two service aces, 20 digs, and one assisted block.

Also participating in the event Saturday was the UW-River Falls team who, after a stumble in their opening game, made short work of Bethel, then went on to defeat Macalaster in a match that was a little more balanced. In each match River Falls needed four games to close the books. "Unfortunately," lamented Coach Jill Jolliff when asked about the performance, "we weren't able to play River Falls. I really think we could have beat them." This is due to the fact that River Falls is in the same conference as the Blue Devils, and a match is already scheduled for here on Oct. 21.

Attendance for volleyball this year has been better than in the past. Each game seems to bring a few more fans, and it's a trend that is a boon for the team. The crowd for the Oct. 7 contest with UW-Eau Claire had a great turnout, but proponents suggest a little more noise in support of the home team wouldn't hurt. Support will be much needed, not to mention appreciated, at the match on Oct. 21. The Blue Devils are sporting a great team this year, and there are plenty of great games on the way.

The Agenda

Football
Oct. 17 at River Falls

Women's Tennis
Oct. 16 at UW-La Crosse
Oct. 17 at UW-Eau Claire
Oct. 24-25 WIAC Championships (Madison)

Women's Soccer
Oct. 17 at UW-Superior
Oct. 22 at UW-Eau Claire
Oct. 29-Nov. 1 WIAC Championships (River Falls)

Women's Cross Country
Oct. 17 at Tori Neubauer Invite (West Salem,WI)

Men's Cross Country
Oct. 17 at Jim Drew Invite (West Salem, WI)

Women's Volleyball
Oct. 16 at UW-Stevens Point
Oct. 17 at St. Norbert (DePere, WI)
Oct. 21 vs. UW-River Falls

Men's Soccer
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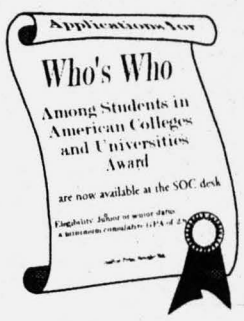
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Stout Student Association

News and Notes



Who's Who Award

The Who's Who Award is a national award given to those juniors and seniors who have demonstrated excellence in academics, leadership, extra-curricular activities, and community service.

Applications now available at the SOC Desk.

SSA is looking to fill the position for Vice President. If interested, contact Henry Tyler in the SSA office.

From the Prez...

I hope that all of you have had a pleasant semester so far and that you are all diving into your classes headfirst - getting the most out of them. Now that you have found yourselves at a point where classes are beginning to slow down and life is beginning to slow down, it is time to pick things up with your student government!!!!! You can get involved as a Senator and help direct this campus for the upcoming year or you can serve on one of the many shared governance committees that we fill. Whatever your interest is we can accommodate!!!!!

A few dates and events that you should take note of is Monday, October 19, at 1 p.m. in Ballroom C there is an informational meeting on the Differential Tuition Initiative. This Initiative will increase student tuition at about 5% and the bottom line is that it is your money and you have a right to dictate where it goes and how it is spent!! On Thursday, October 22 and Thursday, October 29, your student government executives will be in the Commons (10/22) to talk to students and inform them as to SSA issues and the same will happen on (10/29) in Tainter.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL INVOLVED.

Your Prez -
Henry Tyler
President of the Stout Student Association

From the Director of Academic Affairs...

Hello, my name is Brian Lind. I am the Director of Academic Affairs for SSA. I am in charge of student shared governance on this campus. If you would like to participate on a campus committee, give me a call at 232-2100 or stop by the Student Center; our office is downstairs behind the SOC Desk.

Also, don't forget to nominate your teacher for Teacher of the Month. The drop-off box is in the Student Center next to the Service Desk, and the forms are quick and easy. Let's recognize the outstanding professors we have on this campus!

From the Director of Financial Affairs...

Hello, my name is Josh Johnson. I am the Director of Financial Affairs for SSA. My job is to work with administration and students to help with their financial needs on campus. I try to keep the tuition costs under wraps and watch for misuse of student funding. My goal this year is to involve as many groups as possible in the budget process and give out money so that more programs can go towards students and education.

From the Director of Organizational Affairs...

My name is Ken Her. I am the Organizational Affairs Director of the 29th Congress in SSA. This is my senior year at UW-Stout. I majored in psychology and minored in Speech Communication. As the Director of Organizational Affairs, my job is to keep all the official records of SSA business, distribute SSA minutes to staff and faculties after each congess meeting, record all SSA motions, do the organization recognition process for all organizations and clubs at UW-Stout, and help create new organizations. Another part of my job is to work with and/or keep in touch with all Stout student organizations and clubs. More importantly, I work closely with the SSA president. This year we have 118 organizations at Stout.

From the Public Relations Director...

Hello! My name is Jessica Molina, and I am the Director of Public Relations of the SSA. My duties as Public Relations Director are:

- To develop a fundraising campaign for the UNITED WAY of Dunn County,
- Organize the Spring Award Banquet,
- Create committees to evaluate students applying for the Who's Who and Samuel Wood Medallions Award, and
- Interact with students, staff, and faculty to educate them about the Stout Student Association.

I do all of these and more... If you have questions call me at 232-1028, email me at molinaj@post.uwstout.edu or stop by the SSA office.

From the Director of Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs...

Hello students,

My name is Jason Zweifel. I am currently the Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs Director for SSA. I work with tenants having problems with their landlords. I work with City Council of Menomonie and the Chamber of Commerce. I also work with the building inspector for Menomonie. In any legal situations students have with their landlord, I talk to the campus attorney, and he usually helps out the student. I will be hosting a housing fair early second semester. If you have any questions contact me in the SSA office at 232-2100. Have a good year.

Jason Zweifel
Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs Director

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Controversy within SSA

by Stephen Rock
Staff Reporter

Stout Student Association (SSA) Vice President Jason Kruegal has resigned according to a letter Kruegal sent to SSA. President Henry Tyler, however, says that Kruegal was terminated for missing three senate meetings which Kruegal denies. His resignation letter listed reasons for leaving the SSA. He felt that the SSA is not representing the student body and the lack of organized parliamentary procedures is causing gridlock. Excessively long meetings, many as long as five hours, are something which Kruegal felt that he simply did not have time for.

"There were times when he showed brilliance, and I was glad when he was there, but he was never around. The students do have control of the government; he was not here enough to see it," said Tyler.

Many anonymous sources stated that there were personality conflicts between Tyler and Kruegal, who ran against each other in the last election. Kruegal stated his running mate has often been too emotional as president, while Tyler summarized his view in saying, "Kruegal is a sore loser."

Kruegal feels that Tyler has been over emotional about his proposal to reform the government and it has affected his presidential duties. "Tyler proposed a restructuring of the government, a motion that eventually failed, which left President Tyler with bitter feelings towards some people in the senate. He then tried to get rid of a senator because he felt that the senator was solely responsible for the failure of the motion," says Kruegal who is planning to run for senator again.

Restructuring of the student government has long been an issue. Over a year ago, Tyler and others led many public protests of the administration and the student government, calling for reform that will give representation to a more diverse student population. As part of this, Tyler introduced the Credentials Initiative, an effort that has failed repeatedly in the senate. The plan would set aside seats for those students representing diverse organizations, such as the several multicultural groups on campus.

The senate is currently interviewing two people for the vice president vacancy and should have a decision by next Tuesday.

Body, Mind, and Spirit Conference



Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor -in -Chief*

Students, alongside those traveling from around the U.S., made their own medicines, including tinctures, oils, and salves in one of over 40 sessions in the 2nd annual Body, Mind, and Spirit Conference held at Stout. The conference explores all facets of health, using a holistic approach.

Student's suicide prompts concerns

by Colleen Brennan
News Editor

On the morning of Tuesday, Oct. 13, the funeral toll was sounded on the Bowman Hall bell and flags were lowered to half mast for Eric J. Bowe, a 22-year-old Manufacturing Engineering student who died as a result of a self-inflicted gun shot wound in British Columbia on Oct. 8.

The only evidence available to aid in the police search had been a transaction on Bowe's bank debit card. He had been reported to the UW-Stout Counseling Center as missing by his lab partner, who had become concerned after receiving a note that led her to believe he might harm himself. The Counseling Center staff, upon receiving this call, asked police for help immediately. After receiving more information from bank officials, police traced Bowe's bank activity to Dawson Creek, California. Despite searches through atlases as well as inquiries to directory assistance, no such place could be found by police. After some backtracking and a thorough examination of the bank card receipt, the search was finally redirected to British Columbia. Police in British Columbia were dispatched to the motel in Dawson Creek listed on the debit card transaction slip where they discovered his body.

Bowe was born on April 12, 1976 in Eau Claire, the son of Joseph and Alice Bowe. He graduated from McDonell High School in 1994. He is survived in his immediate family by his parents, brother, Shawn, and sister, Leah. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Oct. 13 at Holy Ghost Church, and he is laid to rest in Hope Mausoleum, Chippewa Falls.

Bowe was a loving son, brother, and friend who will be missed dearly by the many people at Stout and at home that knew and loved him.

CAUTION!

DANGER SIGNALS
*Fatigue or loss of energy
*Change in appetite or weight
*Change in sleeping patterns
*Speaking or moving at an unusual pace
*Loss of interest in usual activities
*Trouble concentrating and indecisiveness
*Thoughts of death and suicide
*Giving away personal possessions
*Feelings of worthlessness
*Decrease in sexual drive
*Depressed mood

CAUTION!

"Suicide is a very emotionally packed issue. Even just mentioning or addressing the issue of suicide evokes strong emotions from everyone," said Dr. Pinckney Hall, University Counseling Center

The UW-Stout Counseling Center, located on the fourth floor in Bowman Hall, receives a fair number of suicide related calls each year from people concerned about someone else, and people reaching out for help themselves. "We get lots of calls from people for friends, which we strongly encourage; people generally don't call for themselves for various reasons, and many interventions take this course," explained Hall. The Counseling Center was the first to receive notice of the events surrounding Bowe's death.

While some suicides occur without any outward warning signs, most do not. The 50,000 suicides that occur in the United States every year cut across all sex, age, race and economic barriers, and despite the many myths surrounding suicide, it can be prevented.

The most effective preventative measure is learning how to recognize the signs of someone at risk, take those signs seriously, and know how to respond to them. Some of these danger signals include previous suicide attempts, talking about death or suicide, and depression.

But once these signs are seen, what should one do? Take any mentions of suicide or depression seriously, even those among teenagers whom such threats are most common. Be willing to listen, take the initiative to ask

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Professors' research receives recognition

Mary Orfield and Orville Nelson receive prestigious awards to praise their research contributions

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

Often the instructors at UW-Stout lead dual professional lives. Most professors on campus are involved in research projects as well as the everyday activities of teaching.

Mary Orfield, professor of chemistry, was recently honored as Stout's Outstanding Researcher, and Orville Nelson received the Nelva G. Runnalls Research Support Recognition Award. The awards were presented on Thursday, Oct. 8 by Chancellor Sorenson during the annual research day activities.

The Outstanding Researcher Award recognizes individuals for demonstrating outstanding leadership and contributions to research and scholarly activities. This was awarded to Orfield by a vote of the graduate faculty and principal investigators of extramurally funded projects. "This award is important to me because it was given to me by my peers, the people who understand my work the most," said Orfield of her award.

Orfield's recently awarded work focused on the "effects of deflocculants on the viscosity of ceramic slips," quoted Orfield of her studies. Roughly, the study has to do with the casting of ceramic slips and the "pourability" of the silica-based solution used. She is nationally recognized for one of her primary research areas in the thermodynamics of temperature molten salts. "There is no easy way to describe it," she replied of the subject. "Seeing it for yourself is much easier than explaining it," said Orfield.

Nelson was the recipient of the Nelva G. Runnalls Research Support and Recognition Award. This award annually recognizes individuals who have provided support and resources for faculty and staff pursuing research activities. Likewise, this award was given to Nelson via his peers. "It's nice to get feedback from advisees to see if your assistance proved to be helpful," said Nelson of the venerable award.

Now in his 36th year at Stout, Nelson has served the university in numerous capacities. Recently, he aided Bemidji State University in the designing of a Delphi Study on emerging technologies. Among other notable findings, the study revealed a rapidly growing emphasis on simulation and manufacturing.

These awards represent a lot of hard work, determination, and dedication. Congratulations is due for both professors.

University Notes

Compiled by Colleen Brennan from submitted news releases

Blood drive

On Oct. 27 and 28, the American Red Cross and Gamma Sigma Sigma will be holding a blood drive in the Great Hall, Memorial Student Center from 10:00 a.m until 4:00 p.m. Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are always welcome. To make an appointment contact Melissa at 233-0802.

Suicide/concerns

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about the problem, and let the person know that you genuinely care. Get actively involved in seeking professional help, and be sure to follow up on their treatment.

Suicidal behavior runs on a continuum, and is a long process during which suicidal people often try various ways to reduce their emotional pain. Ambivalent, they have contradictory, shifting desires to live and to die. There is no certain way to prevent suicide as there is no single pattern or causative factor. Be persistent in seeking help.

There are many resources in Menomonie and at UW-Stout through which one can receive professional help. For further information about suicide, suicide prevention and intervention, and overcoming the grief of a suicide, contact the University Counseling Center, room 410 Bowman Hall, x-2468. Or for even more information, log on the web at www.afsp.org, www.save.org, or www.main.org/sos, all of which have links to more tips and professional resources.

Suicide is a highly personal and individual behavior often in reaction to a perceived set of life stresses. Statistics and professionally conducted studies can show what has occurred in the past and whether some are more susceptible than others, but regardless of the data and number facts, a person's life always hangs in the balance.

Flu shot

On Oct. 27 and Nov. 4 from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., Student Health Services is sponsoring a flu shot vaccination in Ballrooms A and B, MSC. Cost is $8.

Design for diversity

The Board of Regents has approved the UW System "Plan 2008," and the Diversity Advisory Committee is seeking student input. To make comments or suggestions, or to find out more information, contact Ray Rivera x-1147 in 417 Bowman Hall or through e-mail at Riverar@uwstout.edu.

Fall Festival

On Oct. 24 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. MAEYC is sponsoring their annual Fall Festival for children up to eight years of age on the first floor of the Home Ec. building. Activities will include stories, art activities, and games.

Racquetball tournament

A racquetball tournament will be held on Oct. 25 in the Johnson Fieldhouse. All entry forms can be picked up and dropped off at the Fieldhouse between Oct. 12 and 23. Entry fee is $5 per team.

Campus safety

On Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the Great Hall, Officer Doug Briggs of the Menomonie Police Department will host a talk about the Campus Safety Program. For more information contact Jenni at 233-1052.

New class offered

Seminar in Career Exploration (500-196), a one credit course for students who are undecided regarding their academic career goals, will be offered both quarters of the up-coming spring semester. For more information contact Julie Furst-Bowe at x-2421.

Police Beat

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations reports

Vandalism

Police received a report of automobile vandalism on Oct. 15 after someone kicked the passenger side mirror off a car parked in a school lot. There are no suspects as of yet, and no one was given permission to punt the mirror.

Unsuccessful bust

On Oct. 14, police received a court order to search a Stout student's residence hall room. The order came in lieu of the student's arrest in drug related charges. There was drug paraphenalia found in the room, but it was said to be a minor item. Police have not yet released the identity of the violator, and the case is pending.

Books heisted

A three volume set of chemistry reference books was reported missing from 303 Jarvis science room on Oct. 13. The official analytical chemist guide is set at a value of $500 and was reportedly last seen over six months ago by university personnel. It is believed someone interested in chemistry could be to blame for the heist.

Memorial vandalism

Student officals reported vandalism to a sign outside the Memorial Student Center in front of the rock sculpture. The sign was hung by Stout Student Association officals in memory of a gay student beaten to death in Wyoming. The banner was reportedly burned by vandals, and although there were votive candles under the sign to illuminate it, the candles are not thought to be the culprit.

News Briefs

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn

Nigerian pipeline ruptures

Wari, Nigeria - Hundreds died in a gasoline pipeline explosion in northern Nigeria after suspected leftist gorialls torched the leaking underground fuel tunnel. Villagers were gathering precious gasoline from the leaking line when their peaceful pillaging was interrupted by a violent blast. The death toll has not yet been calculated but Nigerian officials estimate over 500 are dead.

Israelian/Palestinian talks

Wye Mills, MD - Israelian leader Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat met again for an uncheduled fifth time Monday for peace talks regarding the release of the West Bank by Israel. The talks were drastically interrupted by a recent grenade attack and are said to be progressing slowly. The attack by Palestinian extremist on an Israelian bus station errupted into fear by the Israeli whether peace will ever be seen in the Middle East.

Microsoft trial

Software giant Microsoft and the U.S. Justice Department squared off Monday in a highly anticipated antitrust case. The Justice Department argues that Microsoft is violating the law by using its overwhelming market share for their benefit. Microsoft executives argue that all the evidence in the case will show that they are a "very fair competitor." They also said, "Every company ought to be able to innovate."

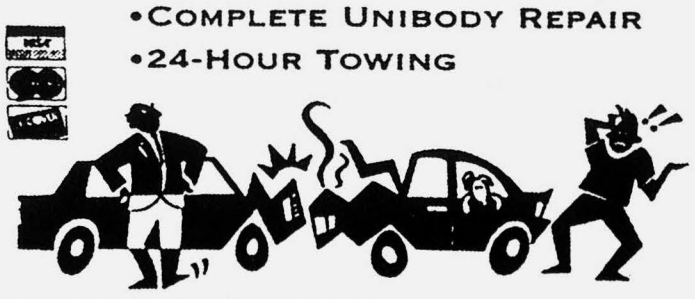
Stock market in good spirits

In New York, NY - The stock market showed strong gains Monday after a slew of mergers and good reporting by major companies. The market seems to be bouncing back from the Asian crisis which has crippled the economy and led economists to shout recession in the next year. Some economists feel that the market will bounce back even higher than in the past few months and that there are blue skies ahead.


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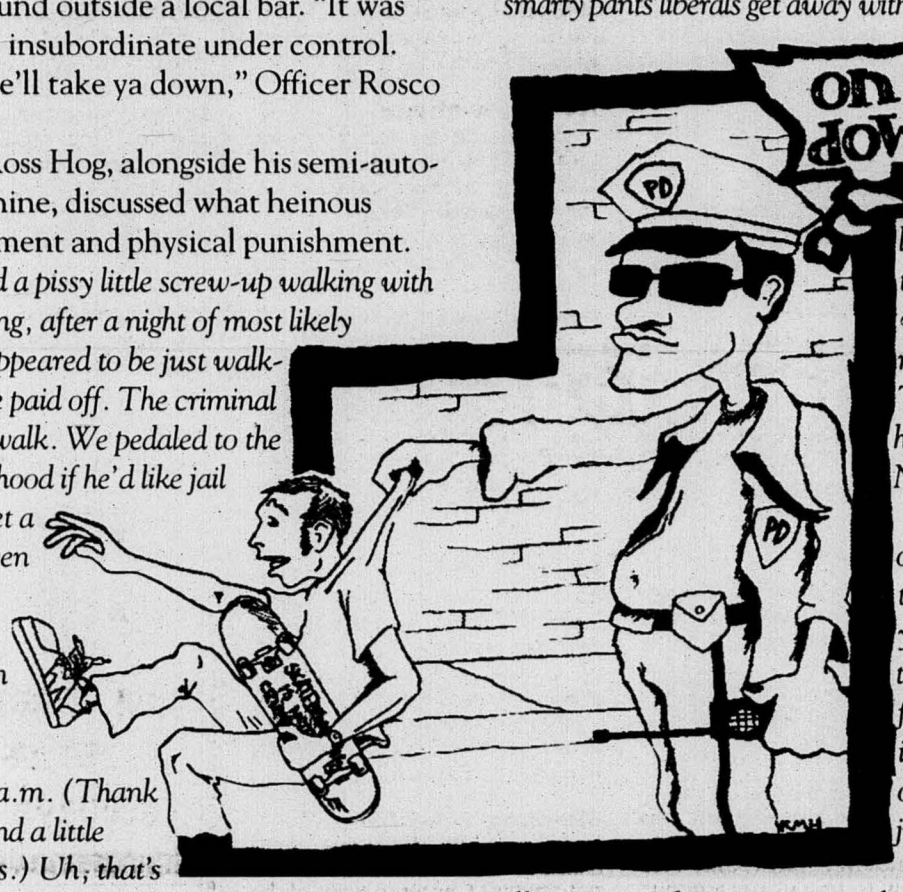
Editorial

Small town politics run rampant

The Menomonie Police Department, in an attempt to crack down on fugitives roaming the streets of Menomonie, took down unsuspecting students in one of many raids yesterday. In a show of heroism and bravery, two officers stuffed-n-cuffed one 19-year-old woman, slamming all her 102 pounds into the ground outside a local bar. "It was tough, ya know, but we got that little insubordinate under control. We don't care if you're eight or 80, we'll take ya down," Officer Rosco P. Coltrane said.

In a candid interview, Chief Ross Hog, alongside his semi-automatic M-16 and crack/pot sniffing canine, discussed what heinous crimes students do, warranting harassment and physical punishment.

"One night, me and Hutch found a pissy little screw-up walking with what we've identified as the Southside gang, after a night of most likely "grinding" at a local establishment. He appeared to be just walking home, but eventually our surveillance paid off. The criminal began kicking a cola bottle down the sidewalk. We pedaled to the scene in 20.2 minutes flat and asked the hood if he'd like jail time. He didn't. Well, we figured we'd get a smart-ass remark from him sometime, even if we had to start calling his mammy a whore. Mind ya, the whole time me and Hutch never took our eyes off those damn fatty pants-ya never know what artillery they hide in those ridiculous things!



We'd just about broken him at 3 a.m. (Thank God; it was due time for a coffee break and a little pinchin' of them cuties working at Perkins.) Uh, that's off the record, right? Okay, so where was I? Oh, so the Southside (probably Cryps) start backin' their homey and before we know it, the locals come out the bars and start in on us too, saying something about pigs and injustice, I don't know.

Me and Hutch gots a good ol' brawl goin' on now. Yee-ha, just like the old days. Needless to say, we whooped some Menomonie ass. Oh, I'd say about 15 of the 20 were taken downtown, at least those that couldn't spot a 50 bill. Cheap bastards. Hutch got a couple blows that time, told him he shoulda brought the stun gun. Well, we obviously couldn't let those college-educated smarty pants liberals get away with that!

So the next morning me and Harvey, a judge here ya know, were drivin' from the Pub to take a gander at last night's confiscation goodies, when whatd'ya know, that little punk who'd started it all last night had the cahunas to show up. He was askin' if it was a crime to kick around a can. Like we need to justify arresting anyone in our town! Told the little punk that unless his daddy rich, he don't have nothin' on the cops here. Shish! Next, they'll be askin' fer velvet cuffs!

So the lil' ingrate ends up walking out our shop, knowing he'd just bent over and took it. Never try talkin' the law with cops, you'll get it right in the keister. So anyway, the boy's saying he never encouraged any fightin'. We slapped that lil' fast-ass with inciting a riot, disorderly conduct, and obstructing traffic with a beverage. They'll just never learn."

The police, in an effort to continually improve their service, are holding an officer training seminar on how to pass their own sobriety test. This has been an overdramatization. If anything in this editorial has resembled actual occurrences or characters, we're sorry but not surprised. For those that don't have a clue, watch the movie *Nothing But Trouble*.

Bad habits can equal toxic sperm

The study is out. . . miscarriages, birth defects, and childhood cancer have all been linked to the health of a father's sperm. The myth has long been putting the blame on mothers for the health of the children. Now it is believed the health of both parents can drastically affect the health of the fetus.

Male health has been found to play a large part in both the short and long term health of the child. The real focus is on the health of the sperm that is produced. What males do today is important-what they smoke, the drugs they may take, what they eat and drink-all can affect the health of sperm for up to two or three years.

Eddie Mullins
senior columnist

Research recently conducted by Dr. Bu-Tian Ji, research director for the National Cancer Institute, states that men ought to quit smoking up to two years before trying to conceive a child, to protect their future children from childhood cancer. Dr. Ji and his team researchers conducted research in different cultures and came up with the same end results.

While researching, I came across a story that set the example of what can happen. A 29-year-old Boston woman suffered several miscarriages but her gynecologist couldn't pinpoint the cause. Then attention turned to the only other possibility- her husband. After several tests, it was determined his sperm was indeed very unhealthy and severely disfigured. It turned out his extremely unhealthy lifestyle had caused miscarriages in his past wife as well, a woman who went on to have a healthy baby with another man.

His lifestyle included drinking a six-pack of beer every night and smoking two packs of cigarettes a day for over 25 years, habits that can pass on cancer to offspring. A year after he got help for his habits, the couple conceived.

Many researchers are not positive why a man's smoking habits put a child at risk. Dr. Ji strongly suggests that even though sperm is made fresh everyday, perhaps the environment in the reproductive system can continue to damage the sperm.

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Letters

Dear Editor,

I would like to take a moment to publicly thank the students who gave up their Saturday to help homebound seniors clean their yards. Thirty-five Stout students took part in Fall Yard Clean Up '98, and as a result 17 families in the Menomonie area can rest easy with winter's approach.

It is a noble thing to look beyond oneself and to extend a helping hand to strangers. I would like the student volunteers to know that their kindness is inspiring.

Quincy Chapman, Stoutreach Coordinator

Retraction

Advisement Day will be held on Thursday, October 22, not Thursday, October 2 as stated in the October 15 issue of the Stoutonia.

Don't forget about
Daylight Savings Time
on Saturday, Oct. 24. Turn your clock back an hour and keep on partying!

Campus Slant

Crop circles: a hoax or higher form of life?



"Robert Stack ("Unsolved Mysteries") is a god, and crop circles are formed to worship him."

Anne Sinclear
Senior
Graphic Design



"It means that aliens will invade the planet in the year 2000 on Oct. 31!"

Carey Schreiter
Junior
Business



"My grandpa owns a farm, and he's never had any, except for that one time..."

Ryan Ledebuhr
Senior
Graphic Design



"It's a starving alien artist trying to get noticed."

Andrea Morrison
Junior
Early Childhood Edu.



"I think they are made by farmers playing tricks on stupid people."

Becky Shomler
Sophomore
Art Education

Next Week's Question: What's the worst Halloween treat you could get?

Campus Slant is compiled by Nancy Heinze. If you have ideas for Campus Slant, send them to:

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Apparel Design vision

Lights! Fashion! Pulsating music! This was the scene at the annual fall Visions Conference. While some may not think of Stout as a training ground for the cutting-edge world of fashion careers, the Visions show set out to remind them that it indeed is.

Review

by Patsy Stone

The fashion show took place at 12:00 on Tuesday, Oct. 21 in the Grand Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center. It was part of this year's fifth annual conference which sought to promote careers in the fashion industry to prospective Stout students. Through a collaborative effort of the Apparel Design and Manufacturing program (ADM) and the Retail Management and Merchandising program, over 280 people from 25 different high schools in Wisconsin and Minnesota participated in tours and hands-on workshops with faculty members within the department.

"The real purpose of the conference was for these students to learn more about all of the careers that exist in fashion for them here at Stout," said Barbara Goings, a co-organizer of the event.

While the small, individualized approach of Stout's program may not seem synonamous with larger, cosmopolitan fashion schools, it is actually one of only nine schools in the country that meet the majority of the core competencies of the Apparel Design and Manufacturing Association (ADMA), qualifying the program for $10,000 in scholarships.

Fashion shows and their production are an important part of the ever-changing industry. While providing inspiration to the future students, it also provided an opportunity for current students in fashion to showcase their talents and learn. The pieces entered in the show were all designed and produced by students in the ADM department, and many of the models were retail majors.

The theme of the show was "Vision This," and the runway garments were doubly envisioned via a large screen behind the runway which showed film footage of the model on the walk. The show boasted many creative looks and a refreshing amount of symmetry within design lines.

Holly Jeske's glorious 50s-inspired swing jacket in a patterned-wool with ingenious contrasting collar which melded into a hidden pocket at its lower hem. It was shown off with a matching wool skirt and coordinating silk shirt. Jeske's cool chartreuse suit set, with its perky short jacket, was also duely noted.

Impressing with retro-flare was Amy Busse's black with red accented cuffs version of the 30s suit set with glamorous three-quarter sleeves and a kimono-like style to its drape. It was at once both refreshing and nostalgic.

Kudos to the monochromatic total runway effect was the almost Prada-esque white ensemble that was gorgeously shown off by keeping it simple in all-white accessories and makeup.

The formal element came out in full force with a parade of white satin and chiffon flowing dresses with symetrical and asymetrical style lines. In addition, the lace-up bodiced gowns of Patricia Evans added a renaissance silhouette to the runway. Evans, the 1998 Bobbin Show designer, also continued to impress with her velvet cape and its dramatically shirred underlay "peacock creation," all in a most regal shade of purple.

Ruth Kirchner's fully-loaded bridal creations were also on hand to please all of the lace-lovers in the house.

Amongst the casual wear shown off by many first-time participants in the show was a re-broadcast of Lisa Wagners's patchy line (which brought her 1998 Best Ready-to Wear). The show ended with the sublime "art meets fashion" of George Moskal's past spring line which won him the 1998 Best of Show Designer and replayed this time around like the most classic of films - noir, of course.

Aspects of the show which still need improvement are the model's routines and timing and the visual props used. A suggestion frequently heard was that there should have been more models on the walk at one time. The techno tracks were also a bit redundant and often suggested a skipping tune rather than a throbbing impetus for propelling fashions down the walk.

All in all the show was a success though, and congratulations are in order for all who participated. As ADM Program Director Donna Albrecht said, "I saw a lot of fresh ideas, exciting designs, and was very pleased with the creativity evident in the garments and models."

These fashion shows are held every spring. Stay tuned!



Photo by Emily Kores, *Staff Reporter*

Sought to promote careers in the fashion industry, the fashion show boasted an array of designs. From bridal to renaissance, a plethora of creations were modeled.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day will be appearing periodically. Chloe depicts the life of a typical college student. Addressed within this column are the humorous accounts of a real college student's life. This week Chloe tries to overcome her past incident with treating herself. She goes shopping with the intent of just buying something small. What she brings back doesn't quite fit the normal description of shopping.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

I was so distraught over "the accident" that I decided to go shopping and treat myself. I went with the intention of buying something small and came back with a puppy. A puppy is small, right? I think it's like having an extra roommate, except my other roommates don't chew on the furniture and bark at the neighbors. (I don't think they do.)

So, now I have this cute little black and carmel shadow that bites at my feet and cries when I leave him alone. I swear, he's just like a kid, except kids hate it even worse when you lock them in a kennel. Not that I'd know from personal experience or anything.



I suppose I should tell my "dog story." I drove two hours on a Sunday morning to Fairbult, Minnesota to pick him out. He was so shy and sweet that the first time I picked him up he curled up in my arms and slept. This is the one, I told my friend who came along with me for support. I drove while my friend held my new baby all the way home. In my mind I pictured the future of this dog's life. I saw him curled up on a rug next to a fire all day long and being content. I mean, what a lazy ass. Okay, so he was really cute, and if he wasn't that active he would be much less work.

On the short ride home, we were conjuring up names like Ralph and Dog, figuring the dog's got to have a name. I think we listed about 300 names by the time we pulled off on the Menomonie exit. I had a few good ones (not Dog), but I thought I really needed to think this through. I mean I'm not picking out a pair of underwear for God's sake. This is a dog we're talking about. He's got to live with this name for the rest of his life. Kids have complexes about their names, especially if they get teased by every kid in school.

Suddenly I had a nightmare flashback of all the teasing I had gotten in school. Some of it even had to do with my name. Believe me, kids are very inventive when you have a name like Chloe. I would not allow history to repeat itself with my dog.

So, we make it through the first day without any doggie scratches. I thought, "this is easy; I can do this; I can raise a dog." I envisioned the plethora of doggie awards he would be receiving based on behavior and training.

Sure he was gentle. He was so good because he was deathly sick. A trip to the vet took care of that one really quick. The next day, it was like Chris Farley on drugs (oh yeah, he died of an overdose). The dog had so much pent up energy, I thought his thyroid had gone wacky. He got into everything. There went my new black leather shoes, two pairs of socks, a couch, a limb or two. This dog was Jim Carrey on a bad day in hell. It got to the point that he was keeping me awake all night with his continuous obnoxiousness. After much contemplation, the dog got some sleeping pills and the name Bailey.

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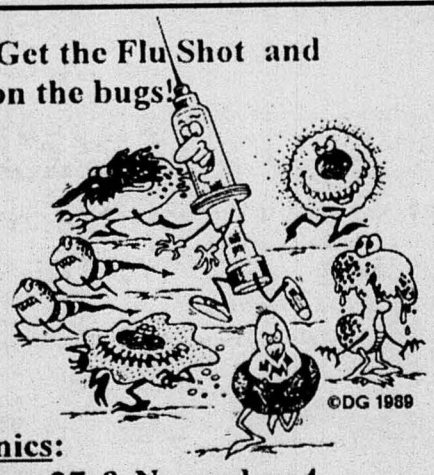


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Spirit, Body, and Mind Conference 1998

People from around the U.S., alongside Stout students, crowded the Memorial Student Center Saturday and Sunday for the 2nd annual Body, Mind, and Spirit Conference.

Western society has called alternative healing a "new age" revolution. In reality, it is a revolution only for most Euro-Americans. The concept that healing happens by treating more than just the body is a quite ancient one.

Two Stout professors fascinated by these topics themselves, created the Body, Mind, and Spirit Conference for the campus, along with the help of the Office of Continuing Education. Dr. Bob Salt, Human Development and Family Living professor and Dr. Tom Franklin, professor of Psychology, hoped that participants would find whatever they may seek in this conference, whether it be information, motivation, peace, hope, help or other reasons.

"Healing the Whole Person," (the theme of the conference) was created under the pretence and belief that our potential for wellness is approached when body, mind, and spirit are nurtured and integrated.

Workshops covered a wide range of areas; some were complex, introducing the concepts of trance dance and Shamanism, while others offered tips on self-massage, herbal healing, and relaxation.

Native Americans, Hmong, Chinese, and Tibetans traveled to Stout to share their beliefs, their experiences, knowledge, and often just simply their ears.

The conference, which also included music, food, and resources was available to all students for credit or non-credit.

With a strong turnout of over 200, nearly 70 of them students taking it for credit, this event looks to have a bright future on the Stout campus.

-Beth Winge, Student Life Editor
Nicole Heckmann, Editor-in-Chief



A large exposé room let conference participants sample services such as massage and look through health products being sold.



Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

Tools for Meditation

I. *mantra-repeated word or phrase that holds meaning*
II. *mandala-symmetrical, complicated visual used to draw focus in*
III. *koan-think of a problem to solve*
IV. *chants-concentrating on rhythm of one's voice, no matter what the words may be*
V. *movement-from dancing to walking*
VI. *drumming-concentrating on the beat*
VII. *breathing-paying attention to sensation as air goes in and out*

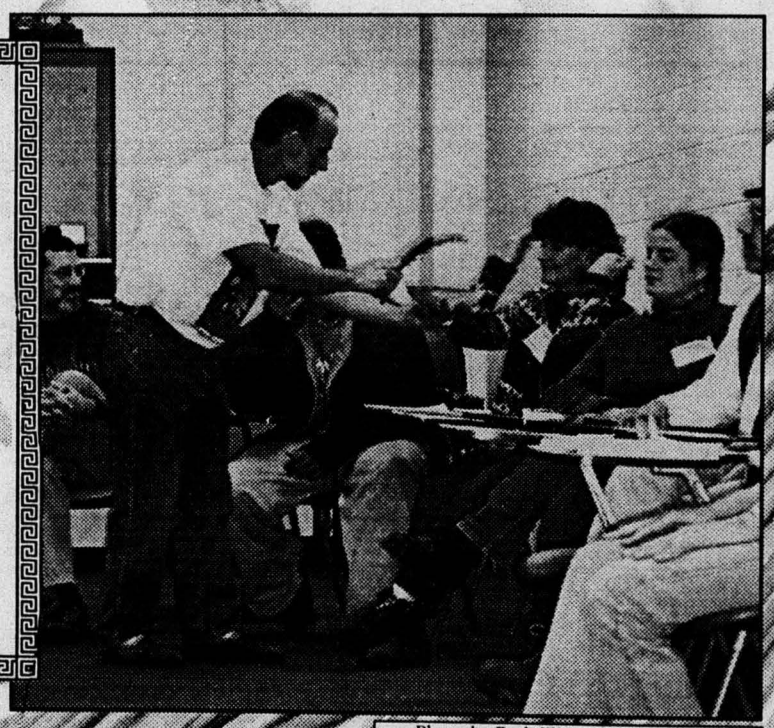


Photo by Beth Winge, *Student Life Editor*

To begin the Shamanistic ritual of journeying, a concoction of sage, sweetgrass, and tobacco was burned and inhaled. This practice, called smudging, was used to aid in enlightenment.

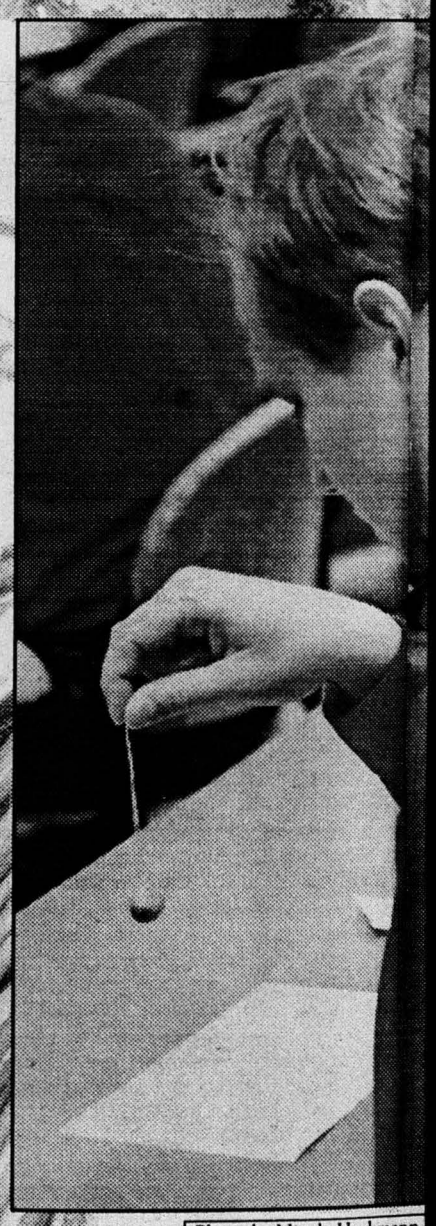


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The inner art of dowsing and divining a pendulum in endless ways, maint knowledge in balancing body, mind, a

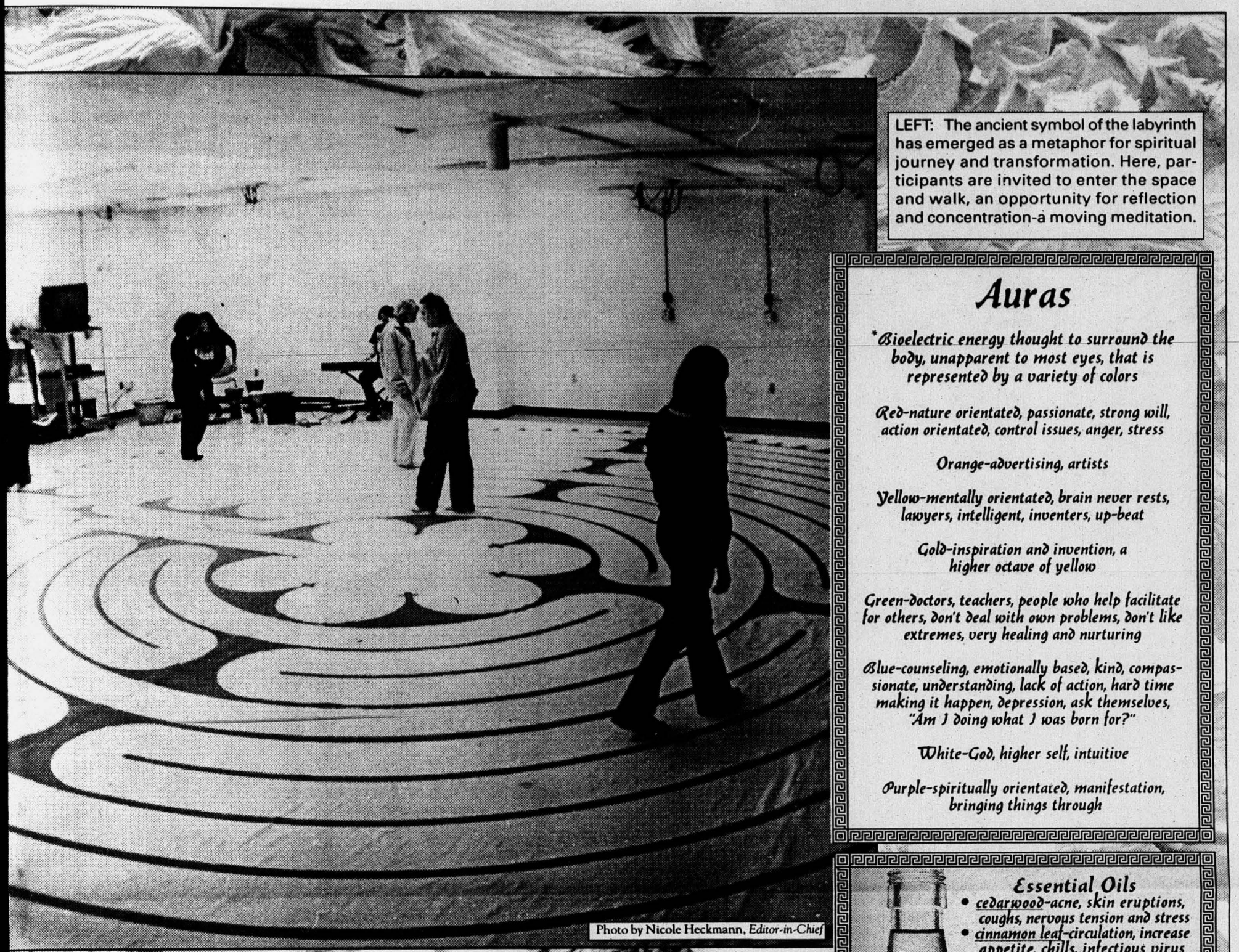


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LEFT: The ancient symbol of the labyrinth has emerged as a metaphor for spiritual journey and transformation. Here, participants are invited to enter the space and walk, an opportunity for reflection and concentration-a moving meditation.

Auras

*Bioelectric energy thought to surround the body, unapparent to most eyes, that is represented by a variety of colors

Red-nature orientated, passionate, strong will, action orientated, control issues, anger, stress

Orange-advertising, artists

Yellow-mentally orientated, brain never rests, lawyers, intelligent, inventers, up-beat

Gold-inspiration and invention, a higher octave of yellow

Green-doctors, teachers, people who help facilitate for others, don't deal with own problems, don't like extremes, very healing and nurturing

Blue-counseling, emotionally based, kind, compassionate, understanding, lack of action, hard time making it happen, depression, ask themselves, "Am I doing what I was born for?"

White-God, higher self, intuitive

Purple-spiritually orientated, manifestation, bringing things through



Essential Oils

- cedarwood-acne, skin eruptions, coughs, nervous tension and stress
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- rosemary-muscle pain, bronchitis, headahces, mental fatigue, memory
- chickweed-good for weight loss
- St. Johns Wort-depression

Massage Oil

I. In crock pot or stove, put in herbs of choice. e.g. St. Johns Wort or Lemon Balm
II. Cover with safflower or canola oil
III. Simmer 3-4 hours
IV. Use cheesecloth to drain the oil from the plant
V. To oil add 1 Tbsp Vitamin E oil
VI. Add 3-5 drops of essential oil of choice e.g. lavender or jasmine for scent
VII. To make into a salve, add 1/3 cup pure beeswax

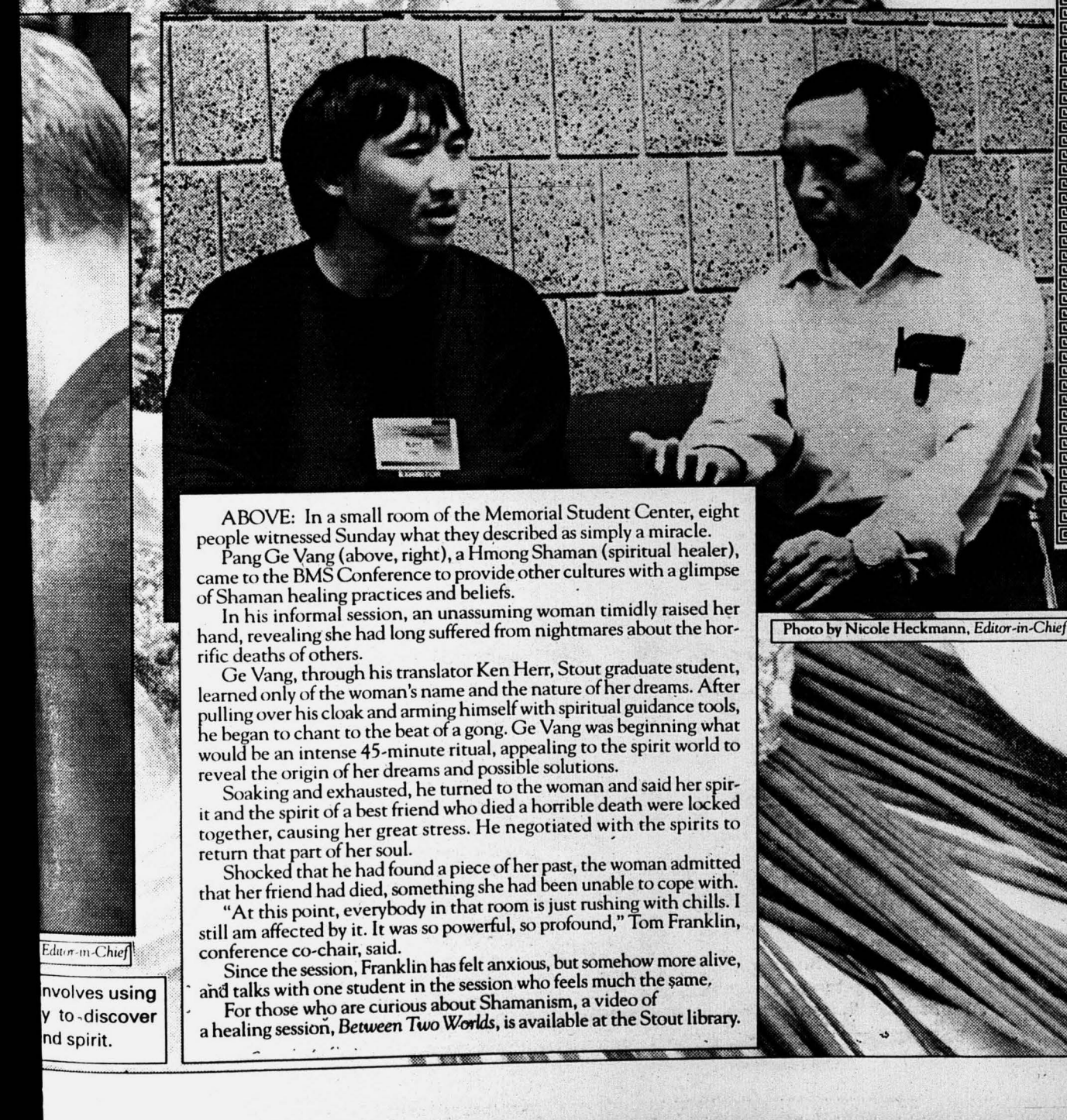


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ABOVE: In a small room of the Memorial Student Center, eight people witnessed Sunday what they described as simply a miracle.

Pang Ge Vang (above, right), a Hmong Shaman (spiritual healer), came to the BMS Conference to provide other cultures with a glimpse of Shaman healing practices and beliefs.

In his informal session, an unassuming woman timidly raised her hand, revealing she had long suffered from nightmares about the horrific deaths of others.

Ge Vang, through his translator Ken Herr, Stout graduate student, learned only of the woman's name and the nature of her dreams. After pulling over his cloak and arming himself with spiritual guidance tools, he began to chant to the beat of a gong. Ge Vang was beginning what would be an intense 45-minute ritual, appealing to the spirit world to reveal the origin of her dreams and possible solutions.

Soaking and exhausted, he turned to the woman and said her spirit and the spirit of a best friend who died a horrible death were locked together, causing her great stress. He negotiated with the spirits to return that part of her soul.

Shocked that he had found a piece of her past, the woman admitted that her friend had died, something she had been unable to cope with.

"At this point, everybody in that room is just rushing with chills. I still am affected by it. It was so powerful, so profound," Tom Franklin, conference co-chair, said.

Since the session, Franklin has felt anxious, but somehow more alive, and talks with one student in the session who feels much the same.

For those who are curious about Shamanism, a video of a healing session, *Between Two Worlds*, is available at the Stout library.

Editor-in-Chief

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Hersch carries folk sound

"Inner Weather" is the title of the 1991 release from folk phenomenon James Hersch. If you didn't see the posters around campus, Hersch did a performance here at Stout this past Wednesday in the Great Hall. If you had missed out on the concert, never fear. He will appear again tonight (Thurseday) at Oaklawn Elementary. If you are unable to attend tonight's performance, the CD is done in a one take style, having the feeling of a live performance. The CD contains 15 tracks and plays for about 50 minutes.



Phil Skretvedt

Yeah, it's folk music, and keeping with folk music tradition, each song is like a little story. This style of music works best when the listener is in a semi-relaxed mood. Pop in his CD when you're winding down from a stressful day, doing some letter writing or finger painting. It'll put you in a mellow mood, and if you don't skip the middle songs, it will leave you in an extemely relaxed state.

Personally, he made me feel a little homesick with the songs about his family and the things he did during his childhood. I could truly relate to a few of the songs. But a word of warning to Marylin Manson fans: I counted three tracks that contained religious references.

Some favorite songs that will stand out to the listener are *Cause I have you*, *Paper route*, *Pictures on the wall*, *Jana's dad*, and *Smiling jack*. The rest were a little on the cheesy side (no offense to the Wisconsonites). Bottoming out on the CD had to be a song entitled *La mama*. It's a song about respecting your parents, set to the tune of *La bamba*. Bad decision.

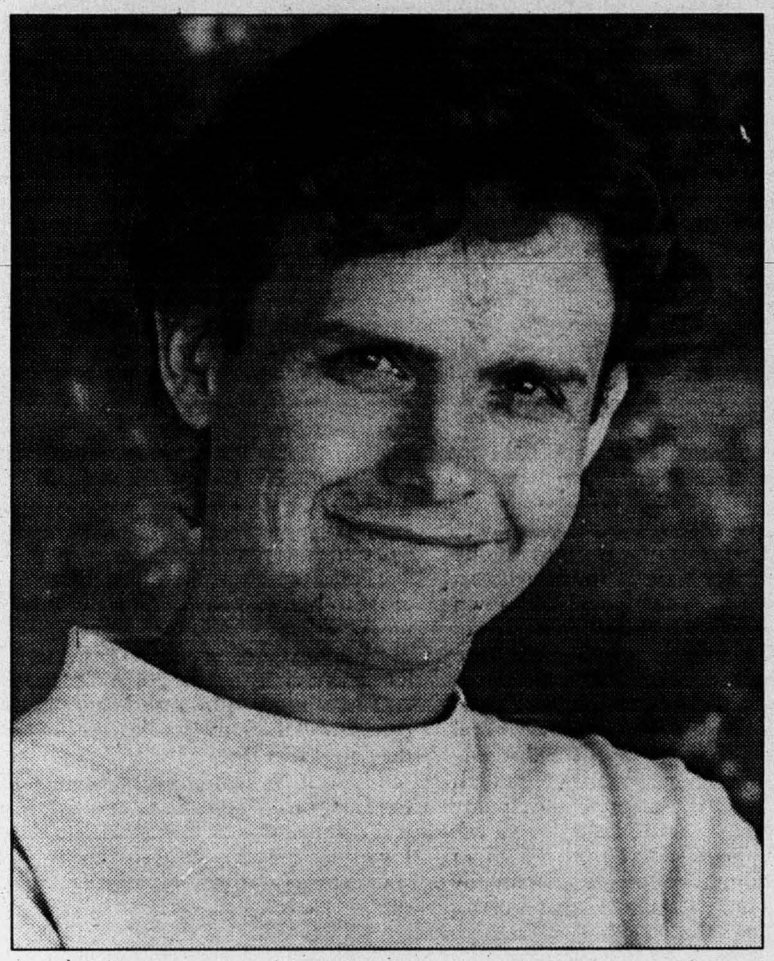


Photo courtesy of ULEAD

James Hersch, on a tour of Menomonie, is in the process of three performances this week. Having already appeared at the American Lutheran Home and the Memorial Student Center, Hersch will appear tonight (Thursday) at Oaklawn Elementary.

I felt like I was listening to those preschool records at daycare again. Otherwise, this was the only low point.

To be honest, I had never heard Hersch before, and I'm guessing not many of us Stoutlings have. Despite his lesser-known status, this guy has ample talent. His stylings are reminiscent of the late, great John Denver. Just him, his guitar, and some stories to tell.

Folk music may not be my forte, but I'd have to say he did as good a job as anyone else I've heard. So I gave the release a four out of five, mainly because of the repetitive format and the narcoleptic middle tracks. Still, if you like folk music, I would recommend his CD, and if you have the transportation, you should check him out at Oaklawn Elementary School on Thursday.

That's my bed, and I'm sleeping in it.

Winner and Loser

of the week!

AND THE WINNER IS...

Something must be said about **"WCW-NWO Monday Night Nitro."** Yes, it's a folly. Yes, there are times where you'll want to turn it off, but they are small in comparison with the times that will make you laugh. Goldberg may be the most entertaining "athlete" around, (McGuire who?!?) and is supported by a cast of familiar faces from your junior high-watching years. Many times you will utter the words, "He's still alive?" "Monday Night Nitro" has become the male answer to "Days of Our Lives" and a reason to turn away from "Monday Night Football."

BUT ON THE LOSING END...

I hate to stereotype, but what exacly is the deal with musicians these days? Is it not possible to sing a song without a celebrity cameo? The world would be a much better place had **Puff Daddy** never stepped out of his producing role. That way we could have singers writing and composing their own material, without the aid of some flash-in-the-pan group. Unfortunately everyone, most notably **Master P, Jay-Z, and Wyclef Jean,** can't seem to do material without featuring somebody. Want to do something original? Try doing some music on a solo mission for a change.

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Aries (March 21 - April 19) Jimmy cracked corn, and I don't care. Jimmy cracked corn, and I don't care. Jimmy was an idiot.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Feel like just keeping to yourself today? Develop a rare mental disorder that causes a violent twitch.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Soon you will find yourself at yet another uneventful, boring party. Liven things up a bit. Run around pinching other people's butts and blame it on the person next to you.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) This week, you are a bug and everyone else is a huge moon boot.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Dogs will chase you today, but you won't be able to fly without your umbrella.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Beware of Bob day.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today, you will amuse yourself by looking at your face in a funhouse mirror. You'll laugh for hours. Then you'll get insecure about the whole ordeal.

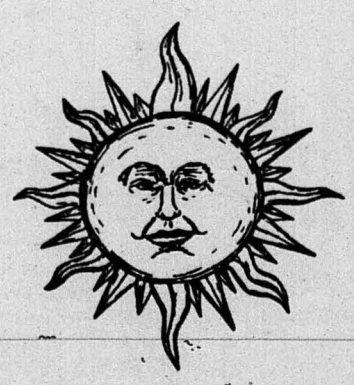
Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You'll find that Subway cleans their glass doors very well as you inadvertently walk into one tomorrow.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) This week you'll discover 101 uses for celery, but none of them will be very practical, like use #23: "Place in pants and look excited to see everyone."

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) You will be forced against your will into a dark alley where the evil men will torment you with Hanson videos.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Tonight you will have a dream that you'll go bowling with the Backstreet Boys in the Recreation Center. You'll like it.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) On your very first night out with your crush, it will go very well. He/she will laugh hysterically at all your jokes. Later, you'll come to realize that your barn door has been open all evening.



Menomonie fails to support movie demand



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

If you are in search of a recent movie, Stout students' nearest option is the State Theater. Unfortunately, the theater is in run-down condition, insufficent to meet the needs of the Menomonie community.



An Opinion

Corey Klein

Consider the following hypothetical situation, a student gets the craving to see a movie. Not just any movie will do, the student has a hankering for a typical movie. For argument's sake, we'll say the hockey classic *Slapshot* is the selected feature. The said student ventures out in search of his find, to an unnamed movie place in a strip mall on the east side of town. Denied! No *Slapshot* available at this store.

The resiliant student, lucky enough to have a car, travels to a grocer near north campus known to offer movie rentals, in the hopes of success. Not available here either; it seems the movie selection in this town is subpar. Knowing of only one other movie rental place, the student is too discouraged to drive the distance north of town to the spot after already wasting an hour chasing his movie.

Exactly what is the deal in Menomonie? Are we subliminally discouraged by the merchants of this town to opt for a quiet night at home? Are they in league with the bars, assuming if we have nothing else to do, we'll subject ourselves to the crowded bar scene once more? I find it strikingly odd that a chain movie rental place has not marketed the city. The demographics can't be that bad.

Another concern for those opting for something other than the Menomonie nightlife is a recently released movie. In this instance we have two options: the Oakwood Cinema in Eau Claire or the Menomonie State Four Cinema. Both theaters have giant drawbacks.

First off, Oakwood is on the farside of Eau Claire, a good 25 minute drive for us Stout students. Highly priced, it is the only megaplex in the area and is able to charge whatever price they want for movies. However, I still would opt for Oakwood over the next option.

Our other alternative, staying close to home at the State Cinema, offers select advantages and disadvantages. A discount is offered for students, bringing the price down to $4.50 for a viewing. Movie patrons will think this is a deal until they step in the theater itself. Home to an eerie and ominous feeling, the first thing that will be noticed is the screen size. Is this a joke? If I wanted to watch a big screen, I could have gone to my friend's room down the hall. How is anyone expected to feel the enjoyment of *Princess Bride*, the fear of *Jurassic Park* or the excitement of *Star Wars* on a screen three feet by five feet?

Another concept to take into account is the projectionist's work. I would most certainly enjoy it more thoroughly if the film was centered on the screen, not 25 percent on the curtains in the front. This is definitely not worth the $4.50 price of admission.

Is it really that hard to get movies into a town like this? Having a little bit of experience with the topic, I don't think so. Let me give you a simple example.

> **($4.50) will seem like a deal, until the students step into the theater themselves**

I hail from a town with a similar population as that of Menomonie (about 13,000). This town found it economically feasable to have a 10 theater megaplex. It is a huge business venture and continues to make money hand over fist. At last word, the theater had plans to expand to 15 theaters, making it one of the biggest theaters in Minnesota.

Aside from the cinema, my hometown is also home to a Video Update store. This is easily the top grossing service sector merchant in the city. It could be said that the city could also have a Blockbuster and be able to keep both stores in business.

My hometown is able to host these businesses WITHOUT the income produced by 8,000 students, which this town has. Taking this information into account, a business of this nature would find it impossible to fail in Menomonie. Stealing a quote from *Field of Dreams*, "If you build it they will come."

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The UW-Stout Men's Soccer Club lost the opportunity to attend regionals this weekend at the National Sports Center in Blaine, MN. After beating out UW-River Falls, the Blue Devils saw their chance at regionals slip away following a Mankato State University upset over the U of M.

Men's Soccer closes out pivotal season

With a record that surpasses last season, the Club shows potential for a comeback

by Corey Klein
Entertainment Editor

The end of the season showed a marked improvement over previous years for the Men's Soccer Club. This year, tri-captains Todd Demerit, Crosby Warren, and Brooke Erickson led the team on a whirlwind tour of the conference. Upon completion of the season, the team held a record of 3-3-4, a noted improvement from last year, finishing only one point shy of entering regional playoffs.

The difference this year was team unity. When Stout needed it, they always pulled together to reach their goals. The way this team flowed on the field stemmed from practices run in a relaxed setting implemented by Demerit, who always focussed on enjoying the game.

Midfield was also a noted improvement. Ironmen Erickson and Andy Richason logged most of their time in the center, while outside positions were shared by Ryan Fiskewold, Corey Klein, Eric Stapleton, and Ben Rahn.

Warren lead a strong defense this year, standing behind the returning trio of Scott Brown, Josh Wise, and Craig Ovans. All aided returning goalkeeper Mike Baranowski, who started every game for the Devils. Defense was key for the Blue Devils, as they often found themselves in tight situations defending narrow leads. The majority of the defense will return for next year, in hopes of earning a spot at regional playoffs.

Strikers were also much improved over past seasons, mainly due to a gain in speed from the return of Chad Elert, the team's leading scorer. Elert split most of his time up front with Demerit, while Pat Fields was ready to relieve the starters when needed.

Stout was disappointed in not making the finals, their fate hanging in the balance of a U of M and Mankato State game earlier this week. However, the strides taken this year in becoming a more effective club shows that men's soccer at Stout doesn't have far to go before reaching the post season. The Blue Devils will make a trip to Duluth this winter to participate in an indoor tournament. They return for outdoor games next fall.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Cross Country

Josh Johnson placed 49th to lead the UW-Stout Men's Cross Country Team at the Jim Drews Invitational Saturday, Oct. 17 at the Maple Grove Country Club in West Salem, WI.

Johnson finished the run in 26:28.1, while the Blue Devils finished 18th as a team.

Stout returns to action Friday, Oct. 23, when they compete in a dual meet with UW-Eau Claire at the Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax.

Football

In a high-scoring WIAC offensive shootout Saturday, it was UW-River Fall's ground game that outscored UW-Stout, 48-36, at the Falcons' Ramer Field.

It was the Blue Devils who jumped ahead first, with quarterback Matt Bunyan connecting on two touchdown passes in the first quarter.

The Falcons answered back, scoring on a run by quarterback Randy Johnson. Later in the second quarter, Johnson connected with Mike Kaiser for the second touchdown.

Shawn Lund capped off a 65-yard drive with a 1-yard pass from Bunyan to give Stout the half-time lead.

After three more Falcon scores, Stout tightened the score to 42-30 following a Bunyan pass to Lund midway through the final quarter.

The Falcons offense did what they do best, driving 80-yards to score at the one-minute mark to take a 48-30 lead.

Stout scored on the final play of the game when reserve quarterback Marty Goryl tossed a 5-yard pass to John Bekish.

The Blue Devils face UW-Oshkosh this Saturday at 1 p.m. at Nelson Field.

Women's Cross Country

UW-Stout's Katie Jacobson established a school record of 18:29 as she finished second at the Tori Neubauer Maroon 5K Run at the Maple Grove Country Club in West Salem, WI.

Katy Olsen finished 10th in a time of 18:46.6. The Blue Devils finished sixth overall in the 21-team race.

The Blue Devils will compete in a dual meet with UW-Eau Claire Oct. 23 at Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax.

Women's Soccer

After the rain stopped falling, the UW-Stout Soccer Team started scoring, downing UW-Superior, 5-0. All five goals came in the first half.

Twelve minutes into the game, Alyssa Halverson scored off a pass from Jessica Unterweger. Four minutes later, Halverson returned the favor for an Unterweger goal.

Halverson put in the third goal with a pass from Stacy Langowski. Heather Pihl scored her first career goal, and Tricia Sykes followed up with the final goal of the game, six minutes before half-time. The shutout was goalie Nikki Bezak's fourth this season.

Stout closes out the regular season this Thursday in Eau Claire.

Women's Volleyball

Oct. 16

After losing their first game, Stout came back to take the second two, but could not hold off UW-Stevens Point for long.

Heather Cassell took charge in the second two games, combining nine kills in the two matches. She would go on to finish the match with 14 kills.

The Blue Devils could never regain their composure in the final two games, shooting only 73 percent in the fourth game, then falling to a negative 25 percent.

Tori Feit had 15 kills to lead the Blue Devils, while Stacy Stoddard and Monica Cyrus each contributed 13.

Oct. 17

The UW-Stout Volleyball Team bounced back to take both games at the St. Norbert College Volleyball Triangular in DePere, WI.

The Blue Devils fought past the host Green Knights in the first match, then swept Carthage College.

Stoddard finished the match with 19 kills, one solo block, and four assisted blocks. Tori Feit tallied 16 kills. Jenny Kraczek finished the two-hour marathon with 60 assists.

The Blue Devils overpowered Carthage as Cyrus led the way with 16 kills. Stoddard finished the match with 13 kills and four solo blocks.

Stout returns home to conclude their conference and home schedule when they host UW-River Falls Oct. 21 at 7 p.m.

Women's Tennis

After taking on two WIAC heavy hitters, only UW-Stout's Lauren Mader was able to pick up a single win in either match.

The Blue Devils were blanked by UW-Eau Claire, 9-0, and fell to UW-La Crosse, 8-1. Both games were on the road.

Mader, playing No. 1 singles, downed the Eagles' Sarah Stepnes, before getting stopped by UW-Eau Claire's Molly Cope.

The Blue Devils will conclude their season this weekend when they host WIAC Championships Saturday and Sunday at the Nielsen Center on the UW-Madison campus.

NCAA academic honors

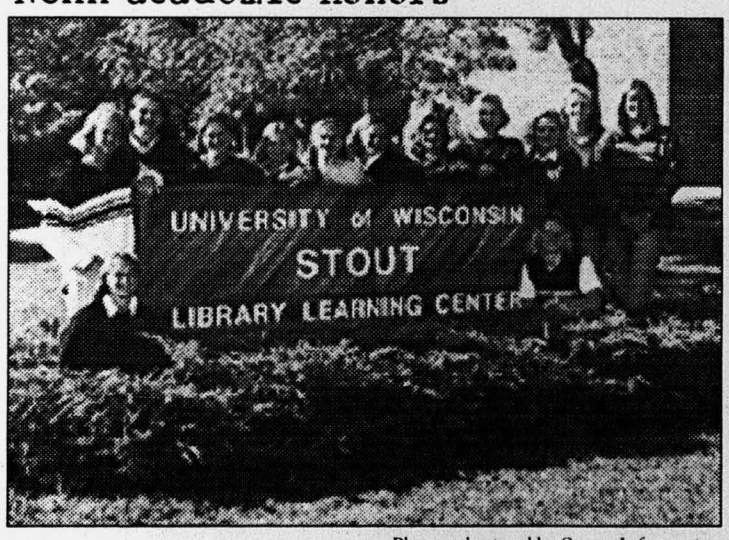


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UW-Stout Women's Basketball ranked first on the Academic Top-25 Team Honor Roll for maintaining the nation's highest NCAA Division III team grade point average at 3.713.

NBA season stalled

Just when fans thought they had put up with enough high salaries and skyrocketing ticket prices, the NBA enters into another labor tiff. Just one season ago, the NBA had an expensive off season, with Minnesota signing the financially deprived Kevin Garnett for $120 million. Now, the players' union is harping about a soft salary cap, among other issues, intended to reshape the face of basketball this season.

Justin Thompson
sports columnist

Salary cap

Currently, the soft salary cap is set at $26.9 million per team, which can be exceeded when re-signing free agents. The team owners would like to implement a hard cap, which cannot be exceeded to re-sign free agents, but rather relies on a team's specific sales of team memorabilia. Players have proposed a tightening of the cap, in hopes of an easy escape from a team as free agents.

Larry Bird exception

No, this rule does not pertain to Bird, the coach, receiving free choice in the free agent market. It suggests that a team should be allowed to re-sign their own veteran free agents regardless of cap constraints. This angers most players, who wish to retain this restraint. Just imagine sitting in Penny Hardaway's shoes, forever stuck in the team's quagmire of slow players and space-wasters.

Rookie scale

All first round draft choices must sign three-year contracts that cannot be extended until after the second season. Now, the league has proposed a five-year rookie scale with a right of refusal for at least one additional year. Since the union is not opposed to longer rookie contracts, this section may be ironed out soon.

Shrinking middle class

About 20 percent of players in the NBA are earning the minimum $272,500 because of players who take up cap space. Veteran players in the union want a salary scale for themselves with increased minimums based on their years of experience. Enter the ugly face of the greed factor, ladies and gentlemen.

Drug policy

Currently, heroin and cocaine are the only drugs encompassed in this agreement, although the league would like to add provisions for alcohol abuse and marijuana. The union is opposed to random drug testing, claiming that testing makes generalizations about the actions of one player and jeopardizes the reputation of the sport. Boy, Allen Iverson must be biting his lip. He may soon lose his back-up job as a Philadelphia street corner dealer.

These are the basic issues that the league and the players are disputing over. Come on guys, we've already missed the first two weeks to game cancellations. Let's stop acting like kids fighting over a Tonka truck and compromise. No one ever gains without giving something up first.

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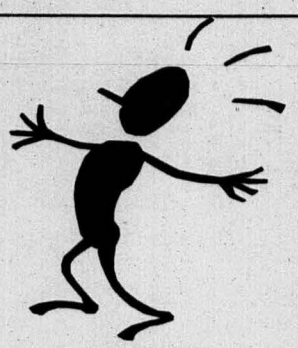
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Students hoped to make a sizable election impact

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

As the first Tuesday of November 1998 draws near, the upcoming elections for governor and U.S. Senate are growing very heated. As the politicians put in long hours of campaign debates and extensive traveling throughout the state, the general public tries to decipher which individual would best serve them and their specific needs.

Whether they know it or not, students make up a considerable amount of the voting population and could make a deciding contribution to the results of the election. Students are notorious "no-shows" come election day. It's possible they paid close attention to the race and concluded that the best vote for them would be no vote at all. More likely, however, it was a case of lack of information concerning the election and candidates.

This year's gubernatorial race pits incumbent Tommy Thompson against challenger Ed Garvey.

Both Governor Thompson and Mr. Garvey recognize the importance of education to the state of Wisconsin.

Governor Thompson, realizing that students make up one of the lowest voting demographic groups, took it upon himself to set up the Students For Thompson organization that gives high school and college students a chance to get involved in a state-wide campaign race at the grass-roots level, giving them what Thompson believes is their say in the election.

Since being in office, Thompson has increased financial aid to students attending post-secondary schooling, cut industrial pollution by 26 percent, and brought Wisconsin to its highest employment rate in the state's history.

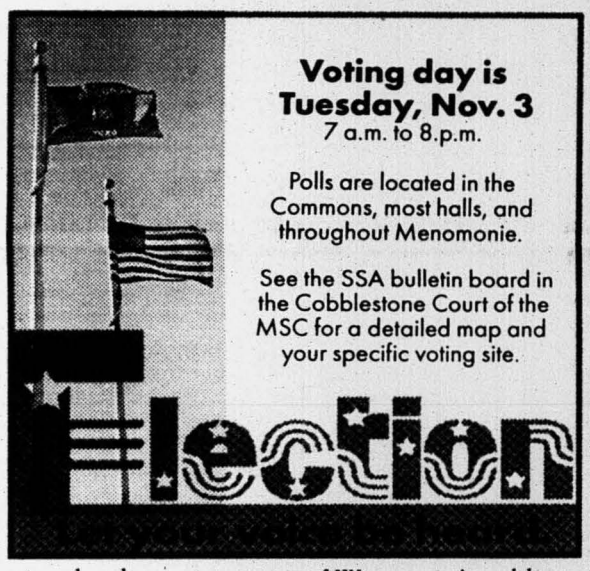
Thompson's opponent, Ed Garvey, is also devoted to the betterment of Wisconsin's public education institutions. Garvey and his campaign are committed to "high-quality public education" and schools that are "adequately and equitably funded." Garvey's campaign is adamantly opposed to revenue caps that force schools into deciding whether to repair a leaky roof or add a foreign language. Garvey is opposed to the private school voucher system stating that "public funds belong in public schools." Garvey makes reducing class sizes another priority.

The race for Wisconsin's U.S. senatorial position is in full swing as well. U.S. Representative Mark Neumann and Russ Feingold represent the two parties in this race.

Representative Neumann is all about keeping the American families' income in their pocket and out of Washington's. "American families can spend their money better than Washington can," states Neumann. He is committed to restoring American children's education to number one in the world by more parental involvement and less Washington. He feels that increased parental involvement will not only aid the children in school, but will in turn lower crime rates, drug use, and teen pregnancies. Paying off the national debt is also among Neumann's priorities.

Neumann's challenger, Russ Feingold, is likewise interested in students and their best interests. Feingold has fought to preserve student loans and is a supporter of the Head Start program as well as other educational programs benefiting Wisconsin students.

Feingold has often addressed the issue of cutting government waste. He authored and follows an 82 point plan to reduce the deficit and government spending.



Boo! Scared you!



Photo by Roderick Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

Whether sticking around town or not, there's plenty to do this Halloween weekend. Check out Sig Tau's Haunted House, Pleasant Valley's scary patch, or St. Paul's Wabasha Street Caves along the Mississippi, a one-time gangster haunt.

Lake Menomin falls to industry

by Stephen Rock
Staff Reporter

Lake Menomin smells bad, many feel. People are offended by its unusual color. So are the fish. They are being choked by the algae that flourish in it. Students who live in northern Menomonie complain that a noxious odor can be detected when the wind blows. The beaches are closed, and the lake is unsafe to swim in.

Lake Menomin falls into the upper two percentile of the worst polluted lakes in the state. This is not an attractive attribute to this city, to prospective citizens, or students.

"I think that the lake is gross! We have ruined its natural beauty," exclaimed Brad Wilson, who resides in northern Menomonie. "It makes Stout and Menomonie look bad. Someone should clean it up."

Others are more optimistic about the lake's appearance. "When the sun hits the water in just the right way, it can actually look quite beautiful. Sort of surrealistic, you know?" Stout student Lorilyn Bohl said.

The Hay River/Red Cedar watershed is part of a million acre watershed that feeds into Lake Tainter and Menomin. Of this million acres, half is used for agricultural purposes which, according to the Department of Natural Resources, has contributed to at least 90 percent of the problem - phosphorus run off. The other 10 percent is a result of inefficiently working septic systems and lawn fertilizer run off. Algae feeds off the phosphorus, which is in abundance, and consequently thrives, producing the undesirable effects.

Because Lake Menomin was humanly engineered to aid in the deforestation of this area and for the development of the lumber industry, by which the lumber baron Stout founded this very institution, the ecological impact was not fully thought through. Phosphorus sediment gets trapped by the dam and can't flow down the river to become someone

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> Brad Wilson, Menomonie resident

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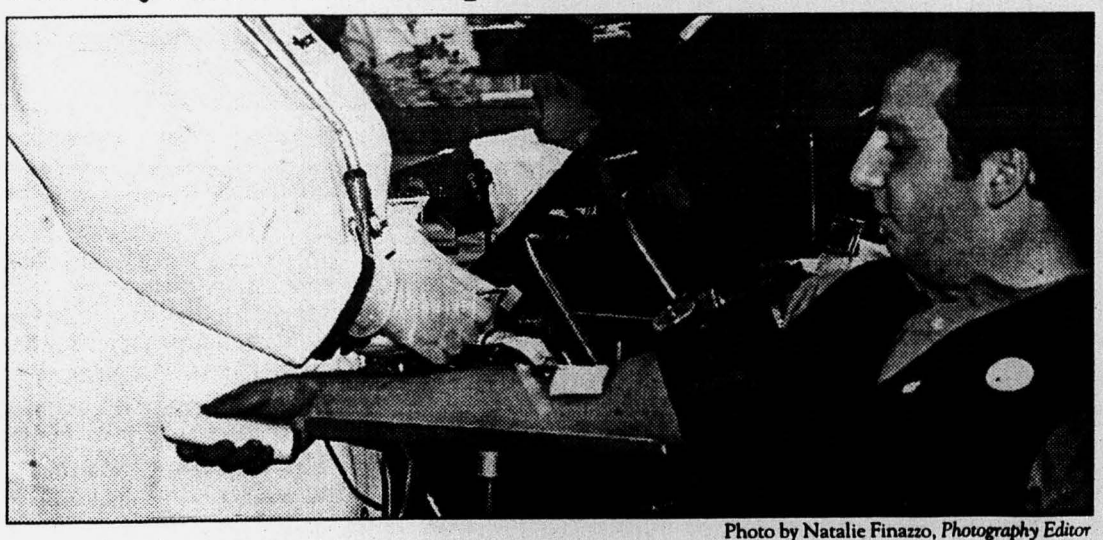


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A Gamma Sigma Sigma member gives blood Wednesday, final day of the organization's bloodmobile. A total of 266 pints were donated in two days, passing the American Red Cross' goal for Stout. Next year, the number of beds will increase, as interest in the life-saving donation is rising, thanks to the large-scale project taken on by the Gamma Sigs.

Lake Menomin/contamination concerns

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else's problem, so now residents have to pay for a hundred years of economic progress and institutionalized learning by living with the green lake.

It might be easy to pass the blame off to the farmers who spread the manure and fertilizer on the land that can end up in the lake, but in reality, it is the market driven consumer based society that demands the cheapest and most beautiful looking food at the cost of the environment. Europeans are spending about 30 to 35 percent of their income on food, China spends about 50 percent, and Americans spend about 15 percent of their annual income on food - making it the cheapest among industrialized nations. Farmers agricultural practices are the result of this society's high demands.

The army's core of engineers have tried to clean up the lake unsuccessfully. Stout's own Greensense has formed a committee to help deal with this problem. State legislation for the clean up of water ways has been passed by the senate and house, only to be vetoed by Governor Thompson. Federal legislation is currently being proposed to unify the country's idea of pollution control and rehabilitation of damaged water ways.

University Notes

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper from submitted news releases

Open house

Enterprise Rent-A-Car will be holding an open house on Tuesday Nov. 3 between 7:45 and 9:45 p.m. in the Prairie/Pioneer room (MSC). All majors are invited.

AAUW annual holiday get together

The AAUW is having its annual get-together on Tuesday, Nov. 17 from 5:30-7:30 at Old Town (Dotseth Trucking, 903 Cedar Falls Road). The get-together will consist of a buffet dinner that will be followed by a presentation by Jana Reeg Steidinger. Cost is $14.50 for reservations. Contact Lelah Lugo at 232-1552 or at lugola@uwstout.edu by Nov. 11.

December Commencement ceremony

The December Commencement ceremony will be held on Dec. 19 at 9:30 in the Johnson Fieldhouse. Students receiving degrees will be given five tickets, instructions, and honor cordons if applicable. Tickets and info can be picked up at the dean of students' office.

Society of Automotive Engineers

SAE (Society of Automotive Engineers) will be holding meetings on Tuesdays at 8:00 p.m. in Crystal Ballroom A. All who are interested in attending..... show up.

Haunted house

Menomonie Theater Guild is hosting a haunted house on Oct. 28,29,30,31 from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at 502 2nd W. Admission cost is $3 on the first night and $4 on all other nights. Free parking is available at the Levers Fine Foods parking lot.

Band Wagon

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper

Hurricane Mitch threatens Central America

With sustained winds of 180 mph, category five hurricane Mitch threatens to pummel Central America and anything else that chooses to cross its path. The Honduran government has begun evacuation of coastal islands as the hurricane approaches land. They have also given a general warning to all who are expected to be in the path of the hurricane.

Serbs pull out of Kosovo

With the ever-present fear of the UN airstrike threat, Serbian troops have begun to pull out of the province of Kosovo. More than two dozen tanks and several armored vehicles were seen pulling through a checkpoint on Monday, heading back toward Pristina in what appears to be a compliance by the Serbs with the demands of the UN.

NASA announces go ahead

NASA announced Tuesday that the discovery shuttle launch scheduled for Thursday is a 100 percent go. The historic launch carrying former astronaut and the first American to orbit the earth John Glenn, is said to aid tremendously in the study of the effects of weightlessness on aging.

Netanyahu squeaks clear of trouble

Prime minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu, defeated a bill calling for his replacement on Monday with a vote of 21-9. Hard-liners in Israel are demanding new elections after Netanyahu signed the land for peace accord with the Palestinian government calling for an end of the hostilities between the two nations. Leader of the legislative coup accused Netanyahu: "Thou hast rejected the word of the lord and the lord hast rejected thee from being king over Israel."

From the Stoutonia staff

Police Beat

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations reports

UW theft

On Oct. 19 an unknown person(s) stole a prop-up tent, four poles, and a set of tent stakes from a table in AF hall. The tent was checked out of the Rec Center by a university student and left out to dry on the table when it was taken. Police have no suspects.

Vandalism/theft

On Oct. 20 police received a call from the owner of a 1990 Volkswagen Golf with a report of theft and vandalism. Someone between the hours of 5 p.m. and 2 a.m. had smashed the front driver's side window of the car and stolen several items, including a Sony disc man with car hook up and a sound stream AM/FM cassette deck. Police have no suspects.

Automobile theft

On Oct. 20 between the hours of 4:45 p.m. and 11:00 p.m., a 1988 Nissan Sentra was broken into and burglarized while sitting in Lot 18. The car's driver's side door lock was removed from the car, and the door was forced open. Items removed from the car include three jensen speakers, AM/FM receiver with CD attachment, 20 CDs, and a CD zipper case. Again, police have no suspects.

Odd theft

On Oct. 22 police received a report of theft from a UW-Stout student regarding a vehicle parked in Lot 4. The car was parked by the owner and later found to have been relieved of its front license plate. Once again, no suspects have been found.

As the temperature DROPS, so do students during the flu season.

The virus can be picked up anywhere, at a mere cough or sneeze.

Flu vaccinations are recommended by physicians around the country to prevent spreading and are always available at the Student Health Services



For those who want the convenience of campus, the Health Clinic will set up in Ballrooms A and B of the MSC: Nov. 4, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. no appointments necessary

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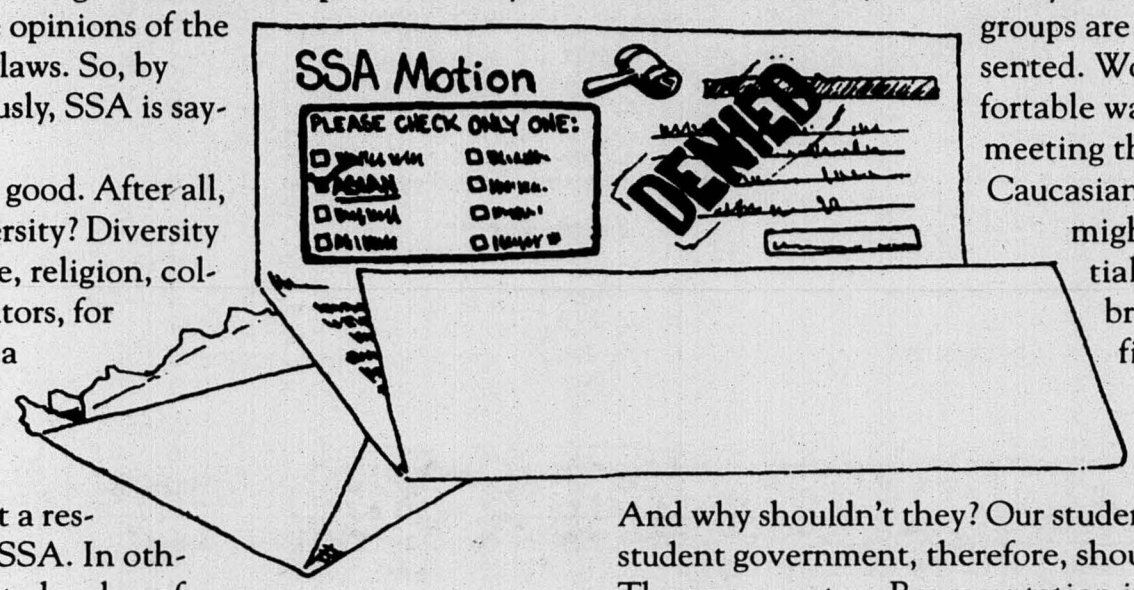
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Editorial

SSA weak in the knees

According to the "New Merriam-Webster Dictionary," diversity is defined as, "the condition of being different: variety." (How does that old adage go? Oh yeah, variety is the spice of life.) Aren't we all as human beings, well, different? We all have our own little quirks that make us who we are. Not one single person is exactly like another. This is all pretty common sense, right? (Which by the way, isn't so common.)

SSA recently passed a resolution stating their belief in diversity. For those unfamiliar with our student government and parliamentary procedure, a resolution states the opinions of the government, not necessary their laws. So, by passing this resolution, unanimously, SSA is saying what exactly?



They believe in diversity - good. After all, why would anyone not want diversity? Diversity is about much more than just race, religion, color, etc... They (meaning the senators, for only the senators are able to cast a vote) also resolved to target those with diverse backgrounds to participate in SSA - good.

Remember now, this is just a resolution, not an official policy of SSA. In other words, they haven't implemented a plan of action to recruit these diverse people. Sounds like they believe in something, but don't have the guts to enforce it. Seems as though SSA is a walking, talking contradiction. Come on senate, put your money where your mouth is.

For those who follow the student government, like every good little Stoutling should, the entire issue should seem very familiar. After all, this has only been pushed through SSA for the past three years.

Let's stop referring to this issue as an "it." The Credentials Initiative is the proper name. The groups that SSA wishes to target include Native Americans, Latinos/Hispanics, African Descent, Asian, gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgendered/transsexual, disabled, and non-traditional (as defined by university policy). These groups are grossly under-represented. Would they feel comfortable walking into a senate meeting that is primarily run by Caucasians? Probably not. This might be why the Credentials Initiative was brought forth in the first place.

Obviously the senate believes in diversifying itself. And why shouldn't they? Our student body is diverse. Our student government, therefore, should also be diverse. They represent us. Representation in student government should be something that all students are concerned about. This is OUR government, run by us, for us.

Don't lose faith, though, the Initiative is not dead. Oh no. It can be brought up yet again. Perhaps the coming weeks will prove to the student body that their government can take a firm, clear stand on an issue.

Letters

To the Editor:

In response to last week's article regarding the controversy within SSA, we would have to agree that there are too many personal issues clouding SSA senators and executive decisions. We need to remember that there is a difference between the senator in senate, voting the way his or her constituents want them to, and the person outside of senate. To think that a single senator is responsible for a failed motion is completely ridiculous. Though every vote counts, one vote can't sway the results unless many others feel the same way.

Due to the internal conflicts some major issues have gone untouched, such as budget priorities and executive training. Another major thing that has not been done this year is senator training. How can we expect the senators to carry on a productive meeting when most don't understand the process that has to be followed?

The lack of parliamentary procedure knowledge by senators and executives alike causes many delays in meetings for looking up and clarifying information and proper procedures. Also, as stated in our code of conduct, we should treat others as we want to be treated. So a professional atmosphere should be maintained at all times.

There are many issues SSA needs to address, yet they are being overlooked because all attention is currently directed towards the internal conflicts. SSA once again does not have all positions filled and currently is not supporting the people we do have in senate.

If we want others to get involved, we need to create an environment that is welcoming and supporting of its members. SSA needs to prioritize and set goals to work towards. Lately the real issues have been set aside and not fully supported from within, which in turn has caused the students to not care. SSA needs to be excited about SSA before we can ask the rest of the students to be.

Sincerely,
Colleen Becker,
SSA Legislative Director
Rome Cagle, AF Hall Senator,
Mandy Underbakke, HKMC Senator

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KQRS shoves foot down their throat

I want to bring up the issue of racism, more specifically, an insensitivity to a specific culture. The Minnesota radio station KQRS has the hottest top-rated morning talk show around, hosted by Tom Bernard. The latest controversy with the show happened on June 9, when Bernard made reference to the Hmong-American community and the choices that they make for their lives.

Eddie Mullins
senior columnist

The morning personalities read a news account of a Hmong newborn slain by its young mother. A conversation followed that included several jokes about the Hmong culture and imitated Hmongs using primitive-like speech. To their surprise and shame, it was later revealed that the woman had been raped, as often happens in young Hmong gangs.

All this time has passed and KQRS is just now handling the situation. They met with the Hmong community recently to attempt to apologize. KQRS has shown that they recognize what Bernard said was wrong, and they have rewritten some of their policies. KQRS now has a full year paid internship set up for Hmong students interested in broadcasting.

At this meeting, as I covered it for a TV station, something happened that was almost too powerful for words. A 12 or 13-year-old Hmong girl stood up at the podium and said of the internships newly offered by the radio station, "this is a gift that I would not accept. I would not want to be a part of a broadcasting company that allows racism to be promoted." What a slap in the face for KQRS! And they thought this internship opportunity would solve everything. Wrong again.

The station's take on everything? That they're insensitive and always will be, but they apologize if it upsets anyone. Of course it does! This is America, a land stolen from others, a diversified land, and a new land still trying to figure out who it is.

We need to recognize that difference will only help us as a country. If we would learn to work together, to educate each other, we could destroy a lot of walls that now hold our society from advancement. Will we ever find the harmony we need? It will depend on you. Only you can make the difference!

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Campus Slant

What's the worst Halloween treat you could get?



"My mom always made me carry around a UNICEF container with my bag, so I hated getting money."

Chad Haag
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"Exlax."

Matt Thoreson
Junior
Marketing Ed.



"Healthy foods like fruit!"

Beatrice Gayfield
Freshman
Dietetics



"For me it would have to be Tampax."

Chester Simplot
Freshman
Construction



"Those orange and black peanut butter candies!"

Marisa Knutson
Junior
Human Development and Family Studies

Next Week's Question: Riddle of the week!

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Getting into the "spirits" of Halloween

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

As Halloween approaches, most don't even question the origin of this strange holiday. Why do children (and sometimes teenagers and college students) dress up in costumes, walk from house to house on a cold October night, and yell "trick or treat" in search of candy? Why do people celebrate Halloween? The answers, according to some students at Stout, include an excuse for people to party, to keep dentists in business by filling cavities, and to bob for apples.

How did Halloween start? According to Christine Brandt, a Marketing Education major, Halloween began "by the same guy who started Spencer stores. They sell really weird Halloween costumes."

The origin of this holiday actually dates back to pagan times as a festival of the dead, called Samhain (meaning "end of summer"), which began on the evening before Nov. 1, after the sun set.

In the seventh century, the Catholic church continued this practice by naming the festival "Halloween" ("hallow" means holy status). Halloween began then as a way to celebrate the known and unknown saints of the church. The date of Halloween was changed to May 13, which remained effective until the eighth century, when it was again returned to Oct. 31. Halloween marks the beginning of the celebration of All Saints Day, which begins later on Nov. 1. The Church of England recognizes this holiday as a religious observance of saints, although most people don't view Halloween as a particularly holy day.

Why do people become so superstitious during Halloween? Black cats, graveyards, and the return of ghosts or dead souls all seem to occupy the minds of children, and even some adults, during this time of year. Belief in the supernatural becomes almost commonplace for one night a year.

These fears may have originated from the ancient Celtics, who believed that evil fairies and demonic forces appeared during the transition between summer and winter (modern day Halloween). These spirits were considered to be allies of the dead and would haunt the living during this time. Throughout history, Halloween has been associated with the supernatural power of the dead. During this season, the gap between the living and the dead is believed to be bridged.

"Trick or treat." As children, many Americans yell this gleefully each Halloween in hopes of receiving more candy than anyone else. Yet why is this phrase used? Tammy Buttke, an Early Childhood Education major, claims that it started as a way for kids to give adults "an option - if you don't give the kids treats, they'll do something to your house."

The practice of expecting treats on Halloween actually dates back to an ancient Gaelic custom. People of this time would give cakes to poor people at a seasonal festival that celebrated summer's end. Over time, these cakes were given the name "soul-cakes." Recipients of these treats were then expected to pray for a good harvest the following year.

Another possible origin of the phrase stems from an ancient English Plough Day custom. Ploughmen would beg the other farmers for gifts, and if they did not receive any, they threatened to damage the farmer's land with their ploughs.

Clearly, there is much more to Halloween than many people realize. So while preparing for Halloween this year, remember its vast history. And leave that plough at home.



Photo by Roderick Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

Located southwest of Menomonie, this patch of pumpkins boasts over 70,000 in number. If one were to keep up with the tradition of carving for Halloween, each resident of Menomonie could carve about five pumpkins and still have leftovers for pie.

Students' work depicts the German culture

In honor of the tenth year anniversary of the exchange program, the Furlong exhibits students' work

by Emily Kores
Staff Reporter

This past Monday marked the begining of an exhibit which culminated the triumphs of the 10 year anniversary of the German exchange program.

The program is part of the Art and Design department at Stout. Through the program, Stout students go abroad to study at the prestigious Fachhoschule Art School in Hildesheim, Germany, and German students attend Stout to study Art and Design. For one year, a cooperative of learning, both classroom and cultural, is fostered.

The works are displayed in the Furlong Gallery in Micheels Hall until Nov. 5. Showcased in the gallery exhibit is student work as well as professional work, all done by exchange program participants of the past 10 years. The range of design present was extensive, from big name companies like Mercedes and Green Mill to smaller paintings and designed interiors.

Nicole Lund, an Art Education major who participated in the program last year called the tenth anniversary of the program "very important," and went on to say, "It really showed how important this exchange was: people came not only from all over the country, but from all over the world. The fact that they all came shows how important this exchange was in their experience. We are a unique group, and I think that everyone felt a special bond."

The anniversary was also celebrated by a reunion dinner, which was attended by more than 80 people. The dinner took place at Cafe Del Sol and lasted until the wee hours of the morning.

The program looks forward to celebrating many more anniversaries. Anyone interested should contact the International Study Office in Bowman Hall.

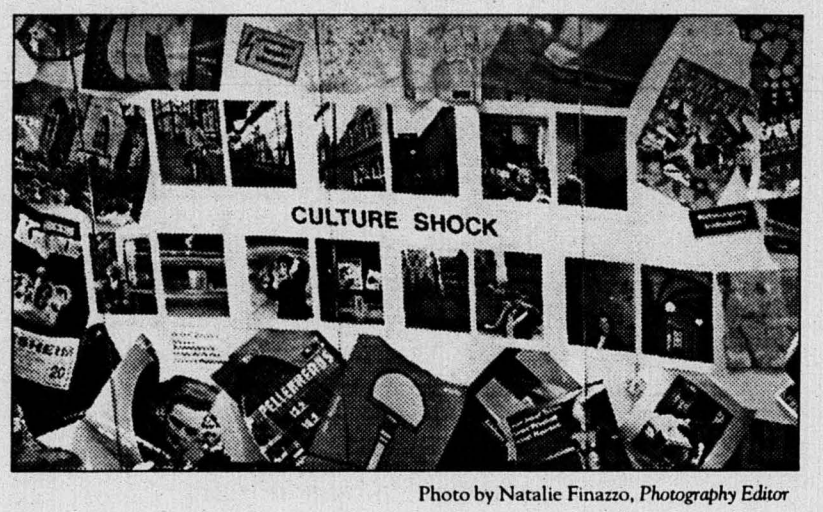


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An engergizing array of works mark the exibit at the Furlong Gallery. The words "Culture Shock," definitely come into mind.

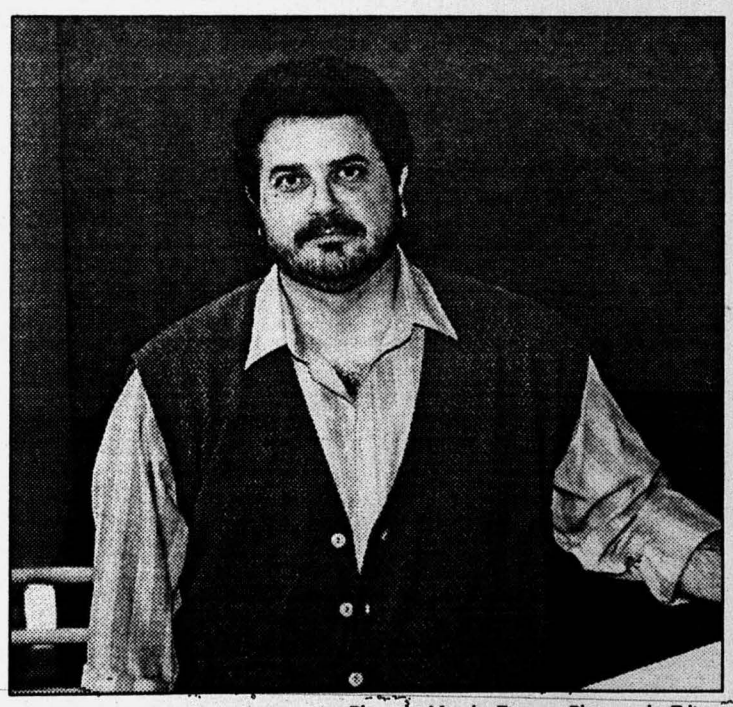


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Faculty Profile: Dr. *David Gariff*

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Speaking of his Italian background with obvious pride, Dr. David Gariff tells the story of how art has become such a predominant part of his life. Since both of his parents were born in Italy, it was only natural that he started studying the art and culture. Eventually, this led to years of his life spent studying there . "I think it's my roots and this feeling I had that I wanted to learn about my own history and culture," Gariff said.

Gariff has, in this past year, joined the faculty members that comprise the Art and Design program at UW-Stout. American Art and Modern Art are among the classes he currently instructs. He claims he was hired as "the modernist."

In what he termed "dynamic," he speaks highly of the department and its members. Coming from Cleveland State University-Ohio, Gariff arrived at UW-Stout with the goal to teach at a campus which focused on teaching.

He emphasized the importance of working with and getting to know students, making this an instructor's top priority. It seems the naturistic environment Stout boasts was also a factor. He can enjoy a small town setting and be close enough to a big city to also feel its benefits. "I feel that up here I can have the best of both worlds." He enjoys the galleries and museums in the Twin Cities, claiming he needs these in his life too.

In addition to his instructing at Stout, Gariff also plays the role of consultant and lecturer for the Smithsonian Institute for Educational Programs in Italy. This program, geared towards students serious about learning art and culture, attend this series of lectures prior to traveling to Italy.

For his future goals, they also encompass his Italian heritage. Currently holding the chairman position for the foreign exchange committee in the department, he hopes of one day broadening the current destinations to include Italy in the program.

Gariff lives his life according to his Mediterranean roots. The Greek philosophy of "Know thy self," has been modified to his version of, "[life] it's the idea of knowing yourself and what you want to accomplish." He feels his decision to start instructing at Stout holds true to this philosophy.

Cancer awareness month

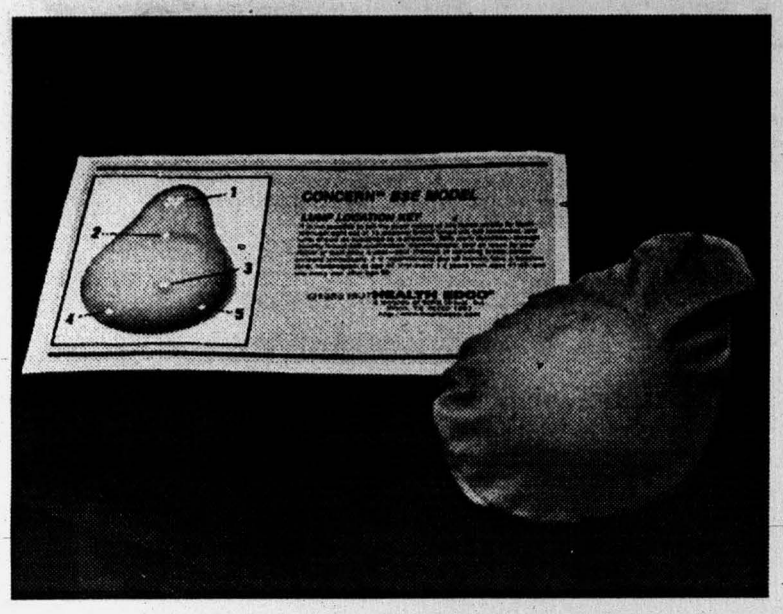


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The above model and diagram are used to locate lumps within the breast. Women are encouraged to become familiar with the sensation to avoid overlooking it within their own breasts.

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Most women have to admit, self-breast examinations are not on the top of their to-do list. In reality, how many actually perform them once a month as suggested? The whole topic seems somewhat taboo. Yet, in order to remain healthy and conscientious, information needs to be revealed on the topic.

In honor of October, a.k.a. Breast Cancer Awareness Month, women are encouraged to become more aware of not only the disease and the statistics, but also prevention.

Alarmingly, nealy 183,000 new cases of breast cancer are diagnosed to American women each year. This means one out of every eight women should expect to be diagnosed within their lifetime. The good news, if one could call it that, is that only one in four of the women diagnosed will die of breast cancer.

Many studies have come up with conflicting results on the risk factors involved in breast cancer. Fallacies such as large breasted women, induced abortion, and getting into accidents than hurt the breasts are all thought to increase the risk of development. Not true. However, uncontrolable factors, such as genetic infuences, gender (yes, males get breast cancer too), and age do play a role.

So, the average college student may be asking how this affects them. To be informed is the first step of prevention. "We advocate to women they should do their own monthly breast examination, have a clinical exam with their healthcare provider on a regular basis, and after they reach 40 have regular mamograms," Laura Cragin, women's health nurse practitioner at the UW-Stout Student Health Center, states. Following this, she claims women should begin these prevention techniques from 18-20 years and older.

Self-breast exams, not a great topic to talk about, but a natural fact of life. Learning to do them can greatly decrease the risk, being nine out of 10 lumps are detected by the women themselves. Now, there isn't a technical procedure about doing this. As Cragin says, "You're not doing an all out search for cancer, you are becoming familiar with your own breast tissue."

There are things every single person can do to show their support. Everyone can help fund the search for the cure of breast cancer. Currently at post offices, including Menomonie, are 40 cent stamps in which eight cents goes to fund the cure. In addition, take the time to travel to campus and pick up the pink ribbon to promote awareness. And remember, there are no longer genderized colors.

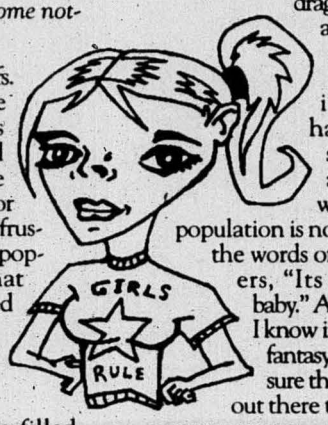
...Just Another Day

Just Another Day will be appearing periodically. Chloe depicts the life of a typical college student. Addressed within this column are the humorous accounts of a real college student's life. This week Chloe makes important changes in her life, including taking the bumper sticker off her car. Also included is some not-so-good advice on relationships.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

Today marks an important day in my life. It is the day where I let go of my past and start concentrating on my present. This is the day I take the bumper sticker off of my car. I'm sure you don't understand the total impact of this statement, that is, of course, unless you have seen my bumper sticker.

This sticker has been a part of my life for almost half of a year now. And while that doesn't sound like much time, it has become the pinnacle of most of my thoughts and beliefs. I got it at the beginning of the monotonous summer months when I was greatly influenced by the lazy ambiance and the lack of a social life common for this season. I was fed up and frustrated with the entire male population. (I'm not saying that has changed.) I think I picked the sticker up as a defense mechanism to ward off guys in general. Let me tell you, it's doing the trick.



By now you are probably filled with a spoonful of anticipation, questioning the severity of the sticker and its meaning. Well, without further adieu (and a bit of reluctance on my part), the sticker says, "I believe in dragons, good men and other fantasy creatures." Okay, I admit, it is a little harsh. I mean, stereotyping across the whole male population is not my forte. In the words of Austin Powers, "Its not my bag, baby." And how would I know if good men are fantasy creatures? I'm sure there is someone out there that can prove me wrong.

In all honesty, I know many wonderful, caring people who also happen to be men. They also happen to be taken. Regardless, I wanted to let anyone that I have offended know that the bumber sticker is going in the trash today.

I think many people start off with a purpose, and get so involved in emotions and fulfilling the intended goal, that their purpose is somehow lost. This happens many times in relationships. You start out liking someone, and the goal is, for the first time in your life, to make something right-to make the relationship work. You are so intent on this goal that you fail to realize the relationship isn't what you really want anymore. Believe me, I know. My purpose was to protect myself, but I think I just closed myself off and looked like a bitch in the process. Now that was not part of my goal.

I am not Dr. Ruth, and I won't pretend I'm good at giving advice about dealing with the opposite sex. But I have listened to the pain and suffering of others and tried to avoid it myself. I think love does truly happen, just not every single day. People want so badly to "be in love" that they are in love with "being in love." It goes left unsaid how they really feel about the other person involved. This is why most people settle. No thanks, not my bag.

People, be a little picky. We aren't talking about luggage for God's sake. If you have to be alone for awhile, get a teddy bear and a nightlight. Maybe a dash of independence wouldn't hurt either. Look at it this way, if you do follow my advice, you won't live the rest of your life trying to avoid the person you ended up getting married to. It'll save you a lot of money in legal bills too.

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Mable features *Nunsense*



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In its second weekend, the musical/comedy *Nunsense* will be showing for the Menomonie community this weekend. The play has been a nationwide hit, showing a humerous view of Catholic life.

Nunsense
Cost: $9 (student rate)
Production dates: Oct. 23-25 and 29-31 through Nov. 1.
Show times: 7:00 Fridays and Saturdays, and 2:00 Sundays



Phil Skretvedt

The Menomonie Theater Guild is proudly presenting *Nunsense* at the Mable Tainter Theater during Oct. 23-25, and 29-31 through Nov. 1. I had the honor of seeing the feature with an elderly Sunday crowd on Oct. 25. I didn't feel as if I was in a particularly "musical" mood for that day, but my feeling was about to be changed, for as they say, "The review must go on," or something to that effect.

The show started at about 2 o'clock and went until approximately 4:30. Not too lengthy, but long enough to make me feel I had gotten my money's worth.

The play is essentially a comedy about five nuns who are putting on a variety show to raise some cash. They need this cash to help cover the burial expenses of some fellow penguins who died in a cafeteria botchalism incident. This musical/comedy reminded me a lot of "Saturday Night Live's" Church Lady skit. Unfortunately Dana Carvey was all booked up with a packed schedule, so the Theater Guild had to go with five local actresses.

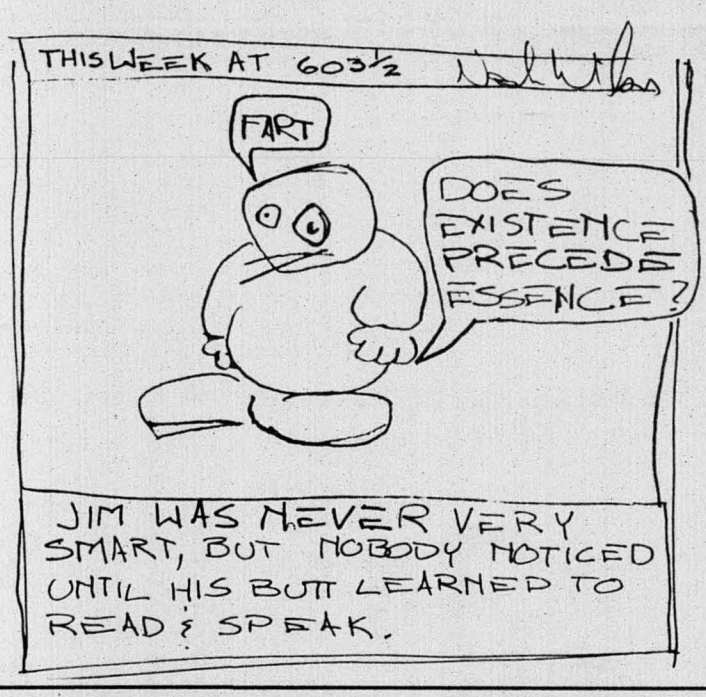
These actresses really fit their characters well. Yet the thing that impressed me most was how the cast added their own jokes to the script. It gave the performance a little personal touch.

However, on the negative end, I thought some of the singing seemed to struggle at times. Plus, it was a little on the corny side when they encouraged us to clap along with the songs, but at least it woke up this lady with the horse breath sleeping next to me.

All of the cast members get their moments in the spotlight, but Sister Mary Amnesia (Tami Rae Weiss) far outshines the rest. She had her character down pat and captured my attention from start to finish with her dim-witted facial expressions and her smooth singing. Don't get me wrong though, the rest of the cast brings some life to this play also. Their barber shop like harmony and the cabaret like choreography make this play complete.

So overall, I was very impressed with my first experience at *Nunsense* and also with Mable Tainter Theater. It's got some great religious humor, but those of you who are Catholic, or Catholic school graduates, will probably find it the most amusing.

With time, talent, cost, and location all factored in, it's a great source of local entertainment, so I'm giving it a rating of four. Keep up the good work Mable!
That's my bed, and I'm sleeping in it!



Top 13 Halloween flicks of all time

13. AN AMERICAN WEREWOLF IN LONDON
12. PSYCHO
11. BEETLEJUICE (GEENA DAVIS AND ALEC BALDWIN?)
10. NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET
9. POLTERGEIST
8. FRIDAY THE 13TH (CAN'T BEAT IT)
7. HELLRAISER
6. AMITYVILLE HORROR (A TRUE STORY!)
5. NAKED GUN (JUST KIDDING)
4. FACES OF DEATH
3. EVIL DEAD
2. BRAM STROKER'S DRACULA
1. LOST BOYS

Billy McLaughlin croons Stout

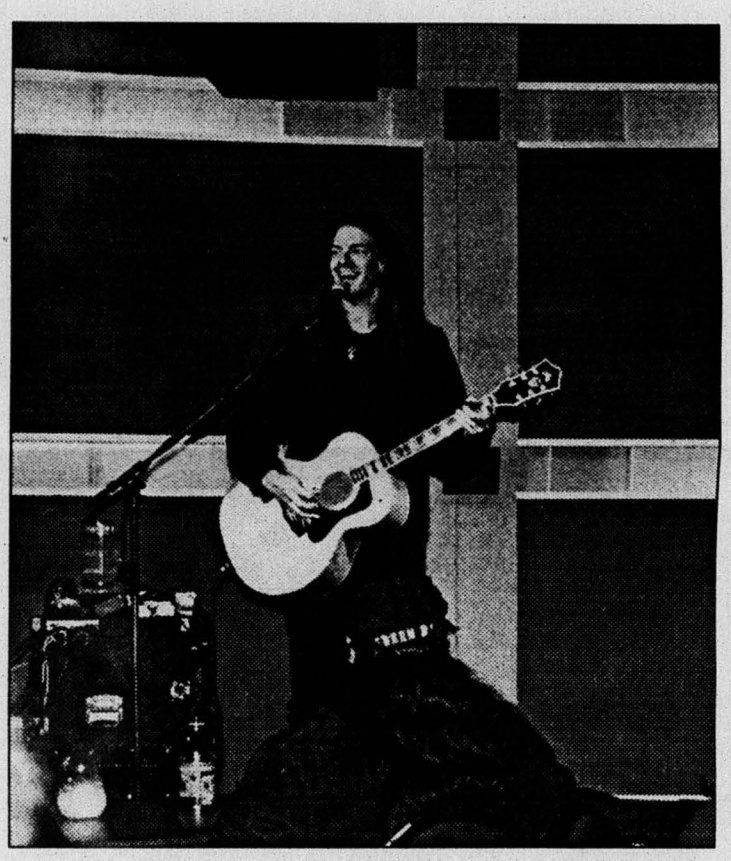
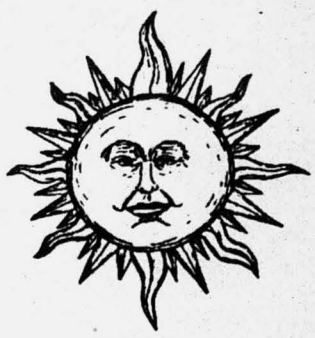


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Billy McLaughlin, along with his acoustic guitar, performed for a Stout crowd in Huff's on Tuesday. For those interested, they can find more of McLaughlin's guitar stylings on his release entitled *Fingerdance*.

Horoscopes



For the week of Oct. 29, 1998 through Nov. 5, 1998

by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Get in the Halloween spirit. Play a few pranks on your roommates to begin the festivities. Hide behind bushes and raid them with pumpkin seeds as they come home from class.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) A pencil has mysteriously broken in your bookbag. I suspect voodoo.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) It's that scary time of year. Oooooo! Pretend you are a vampire and scurry around yelling "Blah, blah!" See if you can scare anyone.



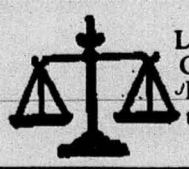
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Develop a multiple personality today. Have Moe, Gerty, and Lou meet all your friends. Go to a party and let them hang out there. Just don't forget how loose Gerty gets when she has a few glasses of punch.



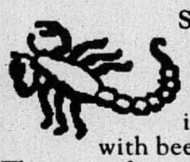
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today you will contemplate, "what if Jesus had actually said, 'The geek shall inherit the earth,'" but was misquoted. This will unravel a lot of mysteries for you.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) This year for Halloween go out as a ghost with a sheet over your head. This way, when you make a complete idiot out of yourself, as you usually do when engaging in intoxicating behaviors, no one will know who you are.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Entertain yourself today. Get some of those hideous fake teeth and wear them out. Ask people out on dates. Ask others if they have any floss.



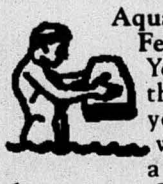
Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Begin the festive occasion by filling a big bowl up with beer. Go bobbing. Throw in a few apples for looks.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) It's okay to whistle while you work. Your roommates, however, will draw the line at your yodeling while you work. They're probably just jealous of you.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) It's a full moon tonight. You know what that means. All the evil professors will get together at the caldron, boil pig's feet, and decide to give out really hard tests tomorrow.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) You'll start to get the feeling that you might be watching "Days" a little too much when you see Sammy on campus. You'll soon flip out and go into some sort of anxiety attack. No one will believe your charade, and you'll spend the rest of your college years trying to prove it. I suggest changing the channel today.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) An old man with a hunchback and bad teeth will whack you with his cane today, as you walk by. He'll pretend it was an accident.

From the haunted cult vault: *The Lost Boys*

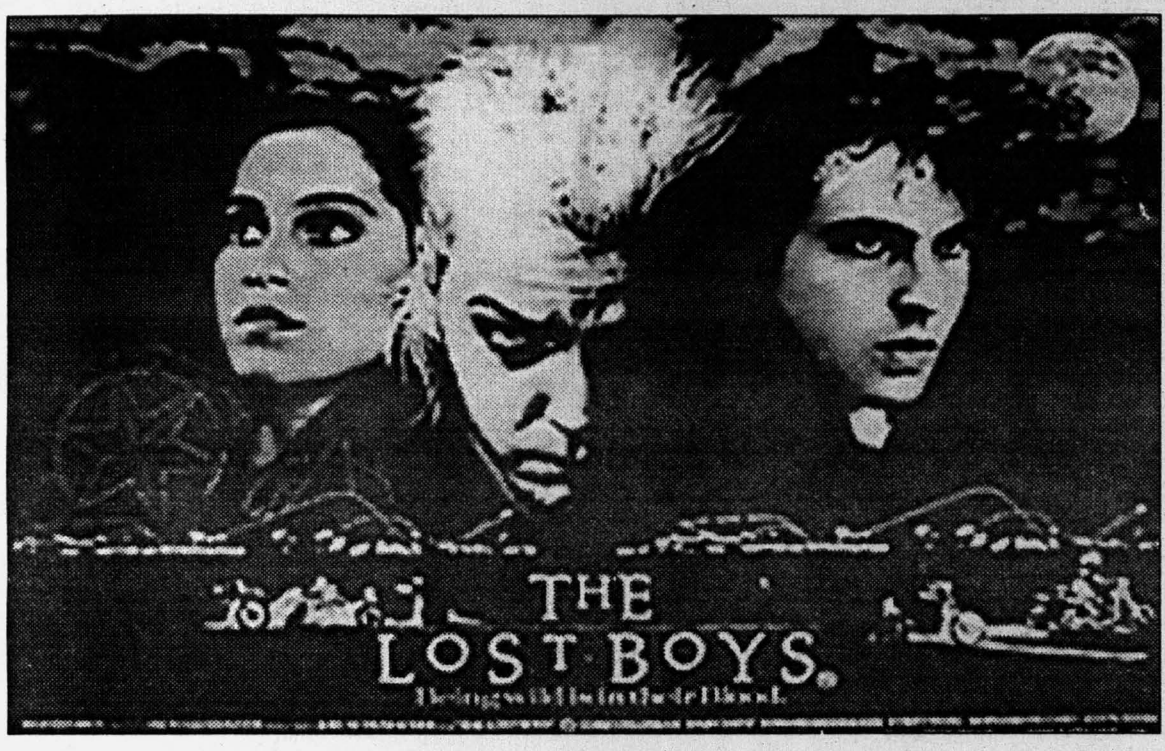


Photo courtesy *The Lost Boys* homepage

First raging into theaters in 1987, *The Lost Boys* is still a movie guaranteed to bring chills. The script is excellently written, revolving around vampires in a small town in a carnivalistic town on California. To add flavor and humor to your Halloween weekend, pick up the Joel Schumacher film.



★★★★1/2

Casey Klein

As we all know, going through the teen years can be trying times. Everyone remembers the traumatic experiences of their high school years, going through acne problems, trying to fit in, conflicts with parents, and having to ward off blood-sucking vampires. Wait a second ... VAMPIRES? Just to throw in a little spice, the 1987 cult classic, *The Lost Boys*, features all of these adolescent trouble spots.

Joel Schumacher (*St. Elmo's Fire*) had no trouble producing a teeny bopper feel to the horror flick with this cast. From top to bottom, the actors and actresses could have been thrown into any movie of the eighties and done nicely.

For this film, the players were thrown into a surreal, carnivalistic California scene. The stage was set with an easily distinguishable two-sides-of-a-coin look. Santa Carla, California is seen as the never-ending spring break trip you took to Mexico in high school, while the same time being the unofficial "murder capital of the world."

The action takes place as brothers Mike (Jason Patric, *Sleepers*, *Speed 2*, [like you saw *Speed 2*]) and Sammy (Corey Haim, *License to Drive*) are uprooted from their Phoenix homestead to shack up with their grandfather and mother (Diane Wiest) after their parents' divorce. As we all know from the media, California is filled with some strange people, all of whom the brothers meet in their new surroundings. Younger Sam is befriended by the Frog brothers, Edgar (Corey Feldman, any movie from the 1980s) and Allan, who share an interest in comic books. Michael ends up chasing a girl (imagine that!) only to meet up with the neighborhood ruffians (Kiefer Sutherland and that other guy from Bill and Ted).

Everything seems to be settling in for the family. Lucy, their mother, is dating Max (Ed Herrmann, now doing those Dodge car commercials), a local business owner; Sam and Mike have new friends, and Grandpa, well, he's as eccentric as ever. Things fall apart when it becomes apparent that Mike's friends have all lured him into vampirism, a society that Sam's friends, the Frog brothers, have been trained to eradicate.

Acting talent is questionable at best in the film, but that is of no matter. The script, excellently laid out, leaves no actor with more than a paragraph of script at a time, allowing for quick action scenes and easy flow of the storyline. The movie moves quickly up to the end, which features a 15 minute bout between the forces of the "dark" vampires and "good" mortal humans.

What makes this film work where nearly every other horror film fails is its quick paced dialogue and humorous anecdotes. As more recent films have become accustomed to, comedy and horror actually flow together nicely. Lines such as "You're a vampire; wait 'til I tell Mom!" make the comedy in this film fit very well. This film, for that reason, ranks with the likes of *Evil Dead* and *Scream*, both known for their horror and humorous quality.

Another reason this film should be a surefire hit for your Halloween party this weekend is the 1980s style it shows you. Hairstyles, unique camera angles, and long-since-forgotten actors are bound to jog your memory for other classic eighties films. For others of this domain and era, check out *License to Drive*, *The Breakfast Club*, or *Summer School*.

> "The one thing about Santa Carla I could never stomach, all the damn vampires."
>
> Grandpa, *The Lost Boys*

While primping for your Halloween parties this weekend, pick up a copy of the vampirish release.

The film rates a four and a half for its all around feel and wonderful script and storyline. No other Halloween movie should delight as much as this pick. *The Lost Boys* is a movie that should not be missed by anyone.

If they say so ...



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Blue Devil Hockey glides into season

Players certain that grueling off-season has prepared them for third varsity season

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

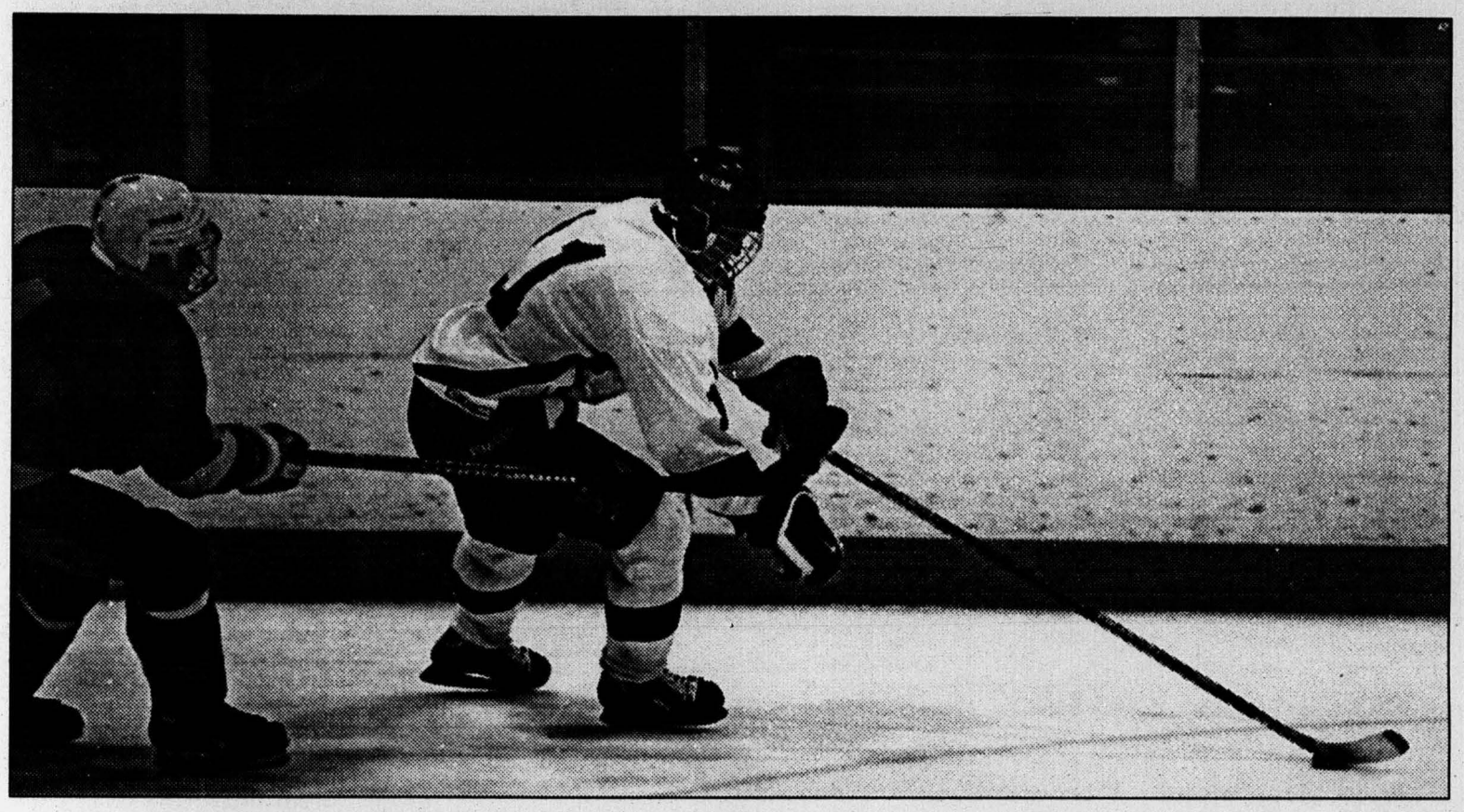


Photo taken from Stoutonia archives

The UW-Stout Hockey Team split two games with UW-Eau Claire in their season debut last weekend. The Blue Devils got down to business early in the first game with a goal from Matt Romaniski (above) but were quieted by a Blugold scoring streak. After adding the game-winning goal in Saturday's comeback, Kelly Selix was named WIAC and NCHA Player of the Week.

As the month of October comes to an end, it brings with it the beginning of another season.

The Blue Devil Hockey Team is beginning its third season back at the varsity level. After an admirable first season back in 1996-97, the Devils were disappointed in the result of last year's eighth place finish in the NCHA conference. "Our conditioning was an issue," said Coach Terry Watkins of last year's performance.

Conditioning has been a focal point since last year's closure. "The guys worked really hard in the off-season," complimented Watkins. "Our progression is very good."

The Devils have a well of leadership to draw from this season, significantly fed by its seven seniors: Graham Lohmen, Tom Schaffner, Mark Corbett, Kevin Morrissey, Greg Foster, Todd Sether, and Kelly Selix. All have considerable experience and possess leadership qualities.

Last Friday night, the Stout Hockey Team took their skills to the ice for the first time this year against their conference rivals, UW-Eau Claire. After taking an early 2-0 lead, the Blue Devils lost control of the game and fell to the Blugolds, 9-5 in the season opener for both teams. "We didn't pay attention to our defensive coverage and Eau Claire took advantage of our mistakes," commented Coach Watkins of their Friday night showing.

Saturday night posed a rematch between the interstate rivals, and it proved to be a completely different story. The roles were reversed Saturday as Stout trailed Eau Claire 2-0 early in the second period. Stout brought themselves back into the game quickly with two power play goals within a minute midway through the second period. It was the senior core which came up big in the third period to give Stout the win. Assisted by Schaffner, Selix netted what proved to be the game winner with just seven minutes remaining in the contest. "We worked very hard and were disciplined," said Coach Watkins .

Coach Watkins is quite optimistic about this year's squad and looks for contention out of his team in the NCHA this season. He feels that dedication to success is this teams most outstanding characteristic. He believes the momentous off-season strides made by many of his players revealed that dedication. Balance and depth are also attributes which will aid the Devils this season, according to Coach Watkins.

Blue Devil Hockey will travel southwest to Colorado Springs this weekend to take on the Division I Air Force squad.

Stout's peak performance destroys Oshkosh defense

Submitted by
Sports Information

The UW-Stout offense was hitting on all cylinders as the Blue Devils downed UW-Oshkosh, 24-35, in Menomonie Saturday. For the first time in weeks, Stout looked to its running backs and they delivered. The Blue Devils rushed for 169 yards, the team's top rushing performance of the year.

Early on it appeared as if it would be a long day for the Blue Devils. Oshkosh took an early 7-0 lead in the first quarter when John Duginski scored on a 2-yard run from scrimmage. Then, with just seconds gone in the second quarter, David Gaulke nailed a 35-yard field goal to increase the Titans' advantage to 10-0.

From there, the UW-Stout offense took control. With 11:33 remaining in the second quarter, Matt Bunyan topped off a 68-yard drive with a one-yard sneak to score the Blue Devils' first touchdown of the game.

Then, on the Blue Devils' next possession, Shawn Lund scored on a 10-yard pass from Bunyan, giving Stout its first lead of the game at 14-10.

The Stout defense held the Titans

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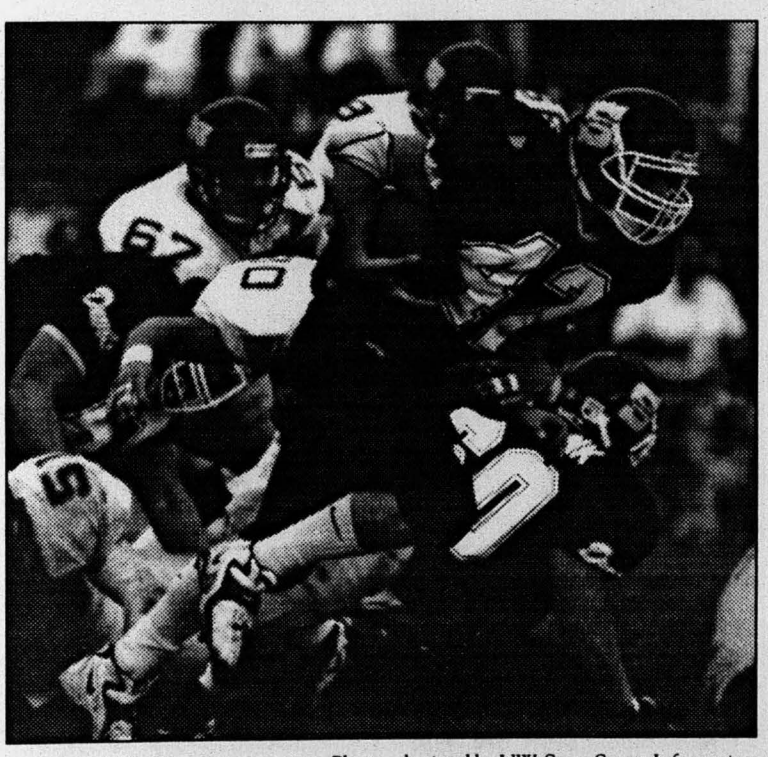


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In a 35-24 win over UW-Oshkosh, Ryan Patt (42) ran seven times for 87 yards, rushed for one touchdown, and caught 10 passes for another 89 yards. He was named the Blue Devil Offensive Player of the Week.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from
UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Tennis

The UW-Stout Tennis Team finished the season in last place at the WIAC Conference Championships, but several players improved on their seedings Sunday, Oct. 25 at the Nielsen Tennis Stadium in Madison.

Lauren Johnson and Sarah Lundquist moved up on their No. 7 seeds, finishing sixth. Lauren Mader finished the highest of any Blue Devil, placing fifth at No. 1 singles.

Men's Cross Country

Eric Hanson outpaced the field to lead the UW-Stout Men's Cross Country to a win over UW-Eau Claire Friday, Oct. 23 at Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax. It came as no surprise when Hanson was later named the WIAC Runner of the Week.

Hanson outpaced teammate Ryan Hill for medalist honors, coming in at 26: 58. Hill finished at 27:29.

The Blue Devils took four of the top six places with Corey White finishing fifth and Joshua Webb placing sixth.

Stout will conclude the regular season this Saturday at the WIAC Championships in Oshkosh.

Women's Soccer

UW-Stout took an early lead against UW-Eau Claire, but could not hold off the Blugolds, falling 3-1 last Thursday.

Stout scored their only goal when Jessica Unterweger scored off a pass from Becca Carlson in the first half.

Eau Claire came back with three unaswered goals. Erica Thompson deflected the ball off Kari Blasczyk's cross for Eau Claire's first goal. Blasczyk scored less than two minutes later. Katie Pierquet scored the last goal off a pass from Nikki Johnson. Eau Claire outshot Stout, 19-3.

Stout's Nikki Bezak had four saves, while Eau Claire goalkeepers only had to turn away one shot.

Stout will wrap up their season at the WIAC tournament in River Falls, starting this Thursday.

Women's Cross Country

Heather Meyers placed sixth as UW-Stout Women's Cross Country finished second in a triangular meet with UW-La Crosse and UW-Eau Claire Friday at the Whitetail Golf Club near Colfax.

Meyers finished in a time of 20:16 tolead all Stout runners. Jen Wucherer placed 11th, still recovering from an ankle injury.

The team was ranked 19th in the latest NCAA Division III Women's Cross Country poll. The Blue Devils have moved up from a ranking of 22nd earlier in the season.

Stout will be at the WIAC Championships this Saturday at UW-Oshkosh.

Women's Volleyball

Oct. 24

After winning 10 of their last 13 matches, the UW-Stout Volleyball Team ran into a wall, coming out of the St. Benedict (St. Joseph, MN) Invitational with a 1-3 record.

After falling to St. Benedict and the University of Dubuque, Stout managed a 3-0 win over UW-Eau Claire. Stout swept past Eau Claire as Stacy Stoddard contributed 14 kills, one solo block, and four assisted blocks. Tori Feit tallied 61 kills, four solo blocks, and five assisted blocks throughout the tournament.

To reward her play, Stoddard was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Oct. 28

The UW-Stout Volleyball Team has moved to No. 6 in the latest NCAA Division III Midwest Region volleyball rankings.

The Blue Devils, with a record of 18-9, their best since 1994, moved up from their position at No. 8 over the last several weeks.

Stout will be at the UW-River Falls Invitational this weekend, then will head into the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference quarterfinals, Tuesday, Nov. 3 at Stevens Point.

Trip down memory lane reveals roots of rivalry

Some things were said. Feelings may have been hurt, toes stepped on. For this I apologize, and retreat to tend to my badgered pride with the sweet balm of a 7-0 win/loss record. That's right folks, 7-0, as in seven days a week they'll mop the field with opponents. Not that it's been a walk in the park. When one peruses the Viking schedule, there are a few games that stand out as a challenge, namely the heated rivalry betwixt the Purple and the Pack and the upcoming Dallas game. And then there was Detroit.

Rich Spicer
sports columnist

Putting up a genuine struggle, Detroit has suffered two losses at the hands of a dynamite Minnesota offense. While both were seemingly solid victories, any Vikings fan must acknowledge that this is a second half team, and first half action has been notoriously not B.I.G. Dennis Green, coach and firm believer in the purple pack himself, gave the lethargic offense a swift kick in their bottom half, intimating his position on the matter. An encouraged Vikings squad responded to the charge with 24 unanswered second half points. I guess some things never change. Right idea, wrong quarter guys.

Detroit saw a half-time lead comprised of two field goals and one touchdown, but it wasn't enough to weather the purple storm of the second half Viking offense. Two touchdown passes through the air, as well as a Robert Smith run of 57 yards elevated what started as a close match to another rout. Another rout you ask? Proof you want, proof I got.

Five of the seven games Minnesota has played this year were won by spreads of 13 or more points, and four by more than 23. The Vikings are on a pace to shatter the single season scoring record of 541 points set by the Super Bowl bound '81 Redskins, sporting 241 points in just seven games.

A funny thing happened to me on my way to the office today. I received a letter in support of the Vikings and, by golly, it had a name on it. Nothing quite like anonymity to show one's true colors. Green and say, um...yellow? Certain innuendoes lead this unbiased reporter to believe there may be sufficient evidence to support a premise of Packer domination. This apparent misrepresentation is much easier to understand when one takes a step back and views things from a broader perspective.

But enough speculation, how about we touch on a little history. A short trip into the past should take a little of the bark off your bite. Since both teams hired new coaches in 1992, the win/loss disparity has favored the Vikings by a margin of 7-4. Granted, between '84 and '91 the Packers enjoyed a slight advantage in the win column. However, the field from '67 to '83 was tipped in favor of the purple people eaters. I must say, as an unbiased reporter, that the glory days of Lombardi, which marked the beginning of the rivalry, gave the Pack the edge initially. Still, from its inception, the rivalry stands at 37-36-1, in favor of the Vikes. As for living in Packer country, I checked my map, and as it turns out, this is actually known as Wisconsin.

Something else I learned in my extensive research: as it turns out the Packers don't suck. They're just in second place. Way, way, way in second place.

Series puts Padres to bed, fans to sleep

Four game blowout proves a thick wallet can buy the world... and the World Series

Another baseball season, another episode of *Faith in the Numbers System* down the tubes. What's the deal when a baseball season beginning with such promise (the McGwire/Sosa wars) would end with such a toilet bowl finish. The Yankees? Back at the top? Guess it proves that hard core crabbing, bawling when calls don't fall your way, and underhanded salary cap moves to fill a roster with all-stars should be paid in full success. Oh, hell no.

Justin Thompson
sports columnist

I guess that baseball needed this, since the league was riding such a high. The downer was inevitable. Seeing Derek Jeter and all the other Yankers holding the trophy high made my stomach churn. Just one more gold pendant for Steinbrenner to put on the chain around his fat neck. Feed the rich, reward the undeserving. What the hell is the whole challenge when you have all the money in the world to sign free agents, then proceed to annihilate all the competition and set a record breaking team win/loss record, automatically overriding any chance of a hard fought Series. This enters the realm of easy sweeps and no-contest situations. Real big champions, ain't they?

Don't get me wrong. It's the acquisition of big name free agents that gets championships. That's the cardinal rule of General Managing. But that doesn't necessarily include starving out other hard-working teams with your enormous checking account. It's called revenue sharing, ladies and gentlemen, and that's the only thing I see saving baseball. Watching McGwire and Sosa's follow-up season will create another crowd bulging season next year, but the revenue sharing idea should not go unchecked. Let the small teams gain players to put butts in the seats and make their own money. Let's see the pitiful Yankees win one when the odds are even.

Football/Blue Devil offense prevails

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to a three-and-out on their insuing possession. After the punt, the Blue Devil offense methodically marched 86 yards to score the team's third touchdown of the second quarter. With just 10 seconds remaining in the frame, Bunyan completed an eight-yard pass to Ryan Patt. Kevin McCulley was successful on the extra point as the Blue Devils took a 21-10 lead to the locker room at the half.

Both teams exchanged punts throughout most of third quarter; however, Oshkosh was able to put some points on the board in the final minute. Duginski ran it from three yards out for his second score of the game, lifting the Titans to within three points of the Blue Devils.

But in the fourth, Stout shut the door on Oshkosh. At the 12:39 mark, McCulley set up for a 22-yard field goal, but a bad snap forced holder Tom Schaffner to scoop up the ball and run. To the delight of the Blue Devils, Schaffner ran straight into the end zone to bring the score to 28-18.

With 5:31 remaining, Patt scored on a 21-yard run. Nolan Mosher added the extra point, giving Stout a 35-18 lead.

Oshkosh fought back and quickly scored when quarterback Brian Tomalak ran the ball in from seven yards out with 4:36 still remaining in the fourth quarter. Gaulke missed the extra point, so the Blue Devils led by eleven.

The Titans got the ball back with 2:26 remaining and were well on their way down the field, but John May lost the handle on the ball after catching a 35-yard pass near the Stout 31-yard line. Stout safety Jeff Jackman recovered the fumble, dashing any hopes of victory for Oshkosh.

The Blue Devils successfully ran out the clock to log the 35-24 victory. The win improved Stout's overall record to 4-3 and 2-2 in league play.

Bunyan left the game injured late in the third quarter. Junior quarterback Marty Goryl came on to complete nine of 16 passes for 116 yards and lead the Blue Devils to two scores. Bunyan and Goryl combined for 282 yards passing.

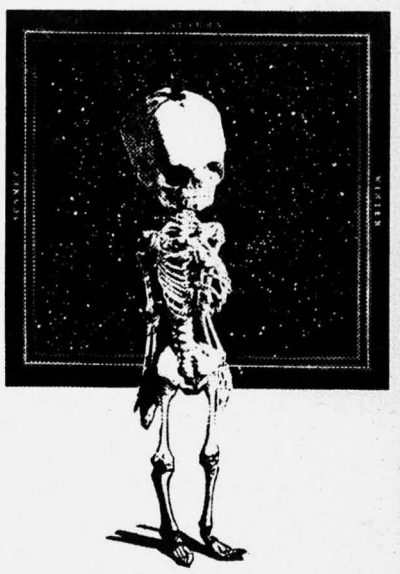
Patt was Stout's top gainer, leading the Blue Devils with 87 yards rushing and 89 yards receiving.

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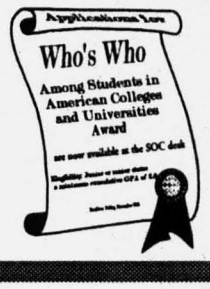
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News and Notes



Who's Who Award

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Applications now available at the SOC Desk.

From the Prez...

It has been a pleasure serving you as the president of the Student Body. I think that so far your student government has been there for the student organizations that they represent, but not the student body at large. We talk and talk about change and how good it is, but we don't do anything that really shows our students that we are more than just talk... that we can stand behind our actions. Now at last night's meeting, the SSA passed a resolution that said that they supported the idea of making our student government more diverse through the implementation of diversity seats. I saw this as a very strong stance to take and was pleased with the results of the resolution, but when the time came to actually vote on the seats, it failed- 15 yes's to nine no's. Now, to me this doesn't make any sense-support the motion in principle and reject the policy that would enact that principle. You tell me what you think!!!!! As President, I would like to call on the student body to send emails, write letters, make phone calls, or come on in the office and let us know how you feel. Either for or against the idea, I would like to know your opinions.

Henry Tyler,
President, Stout Student Association

From the Director of Organizational Affairs...

Ken Her, Organizational Affairs Director

The organizational affairs committee finally have completed the organizational recognition process last week. In order for an organization to be recognized as a continuous or a new organization at UW-Stout, its members (officers) have to complete all the requirements as follow: 1) complete a renewal registration form; 2) complete a code of conduct form; 3) complete an advisory form; 4) complete a federal employment identification form; 5) submit a copy of their current constitution and bylaw, and 6) attend a risk liability training workshop.

There are only 64 organizations and/or clubs that were officaially recognized for the remainder of the school year. However, 30 organizations are in probationary status pending on their paperwork completion before the end of the semester. There are about 15 organizations that did not have any action or return their paperwork.

This semester the Organizational Affairs Committee have recognized five (5) new organizations, such as the Women's Rugby, the Epsilon Sigma National Veteran's Fraternity, the Stout Music Militia, the Street Ministries, and the Melodies from Heaven.

If any student would like to form or establish any new organization or club to fulfill your interest, please contact me at ext. 1028 or stop by in the SSA office to see me for further assistance.

From the Director of Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs...

To all students,

I will be working on a webpage for Landlord/Tenant/Cuty Affairs. This will be in the SSA's webpage. If any students have any ideas that they would like to see please contact me in the SSA office or call x-2100. Also, if you have any questions about Landlord, Tenant rights stop in the SSA office and talk to me. I will be writing a letter to Landlords coming to this years housing fair. Have a good week.

Jason W. Zweifel
L/T/C Director of SSA

From the Director of Financial Affairs...

The financial affairs committee is the committee that determines which groups are allowed to receive funding and we discriminate between lawful and unlawful expenditures are. We allocate money to groups depending upon need and benefit to the Stout students. We did some extra research so that you as a student could start to understand where your money goes when you pay tuition. All of the segregated fees are on a per credit rate determined by enrollment and amount of money needed for inflation and increases in activities. Here is how your money was used this year:

SSA funded organizations: $1.33 per credit
Student Activities: $1.27 per credit
Intramurals: $.42 per credit
Intercollegiate Athletics: $2.19 per credit
Recreation Complex: $1.67
University Centers: $6.32 per credit
Health Center: $3.16 per credit
Municipalities: $.64 per credit
University ID's: $.09 per credit
Intructional Resources: $4.17 per credit

All of these per credit fees stop at 12 credits for a full time student and start back up again at 19 credits. This is what we do and that is regulate these fees to keep tuition low. In a couple of years, intramurals will be increasing a lot to handle the increase in activities upon the finish of the recreation complex. That will be determined during this year. If you want to know what your fees go to, give me a call at 232-2100 or email me at johnsonjo@post.uwstout.edu and let me know what your feelings are.

Josh Johnson
Director of Financial affairs

From the SSA Legislative Director...

REMEMBER TO VOTE!!
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Ward 1 & 2	Thunderbird Mall
Ward 3 & 4	Dunn County Courthouse
Ward 5 & 7	UW-Stout Commons
Ward 6	National Guard Armory
Ward 8 & 9	Leisure Center
Ward 10 & 11	Chippewa Valley Tech. College

The poles are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.!

Check out the SSA bulletin board in the Cobblestone Court for detailed maps and candidate information. Any questions? Contact Colleen Becker - SSA Legislative Director in the SSA office at 232-2100.

From the Director of Diversity...

On the floor right now is a motion called the Credentials Initiative. We are very excited about this motion because it is a stepping stone to bring more diversity to senate. It is a great asset to all students at Stout to have a well rounded representative governing body. I am proud that senate is finally taking action to set an example for the rest of the University by opening doors to a diversity of backgrounds, beliefs, and values. Nothing but good could come from this initiative. It would designate seven seats of representation for each of the following traditionally under represented groups: Asian, Latino/ Hispanic, African Descent, Native American, LBGT (Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transgendered), Differently Abled Students, and Non-Traditional Students. Look for more information on the progress of this motion next week.

Director of Diversity
Tracy Benson

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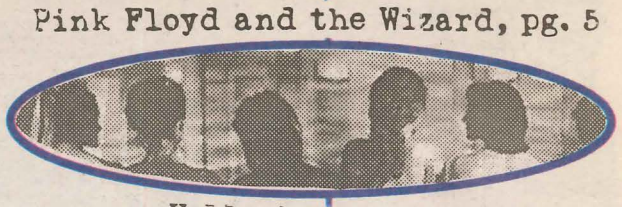
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Universities sued over mandatory student fees

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

Over the course of the past three years, university students, led by court rulings in Wisconsin and Minnesota, have begun to fight the practice of mandatory student fees in universities.

Most public universities have a fee system that students must participate in to graduate and receive grades. Because students are forbidden to refuse to pay, the fees have been deemed mandatory by the courts.

At the heart of the issue is the First Amendment right to "freedom of belief."

In February of 1998, five students attending the University of Minnesota filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court claiming their constitutional rights were being violated by being forced to pay for campus organizations they find objectionable.

Among the plaintiffs is Matthew Curry who objects to fees being given to the Queer Student Cultural Center, La Raza Student Cultural Center, and University Young Women. Curry believes these groups promote homosexuality, communism, and abortion - all of which he opposes.

Other student plaintiffs share similar motives for the suit.

According to Jordan Lorence, the plaintiff's attorney, the catalyst for the suit comes from a decision involving the University of Virginia, in which the court ruled that universities can't bar religious groups from receiving student fee support.

Justice Sandra Day O' Connor concurred and warned that not allowing students to choose which groups they will support with mandatory fee payments could lead to free

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Mid-Program Review



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Mr. Timothy O'Keefe, Mr. Jake Jacobson, and Dr. Claudia Smith review a student's portfolio.Art classes were cancelled for all art and design students on Wed. due to Mid-Program Review. This day is benificial for many students. It gives them an opportunity to evalute their progress in their major thus far.

Multi-million dollar project awaits okay

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

A new communication building is in the works for Stout's campus.

After a thorough review and assessment of the existing building, conducted by the UW System along with the state Department of Facilities Development, it was determined that a new facility was necessary. The multi-million dollar project will be constructed using state funds.

Construction of the much anticipated facility is waiting only for final approval from the Board of Regents and the State Building Comission.

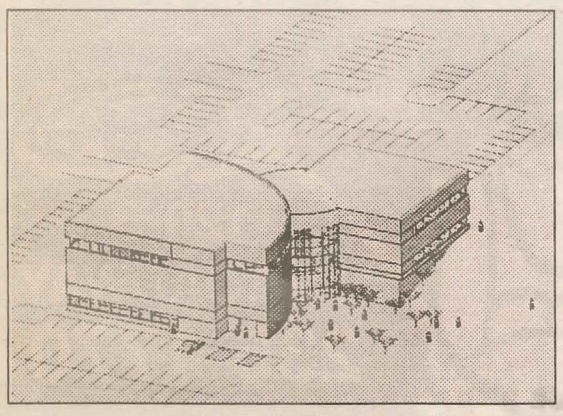


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A design for the new Communication building has been devised. However, when construction begins in June of 1999, there will be a temporary parking shortage.

The present Communications Center Building lends itself very poorly to renovation. "Usually the state does not fund the construction of new buildings, but in this case a remodeling project was not adequate," said John Enger, director of University Relations.

Being that the existing building was formerly an elementary school, its classrooms are inadequate for the classes it must accommodate. Modern technology is lacking in all classrooms and office space is limited. To modernize the current structure would cost more than constructing the proposed state-of-the-art facility.

SDS Architects Inc. out of Eau Claire completed the design of the new facility.

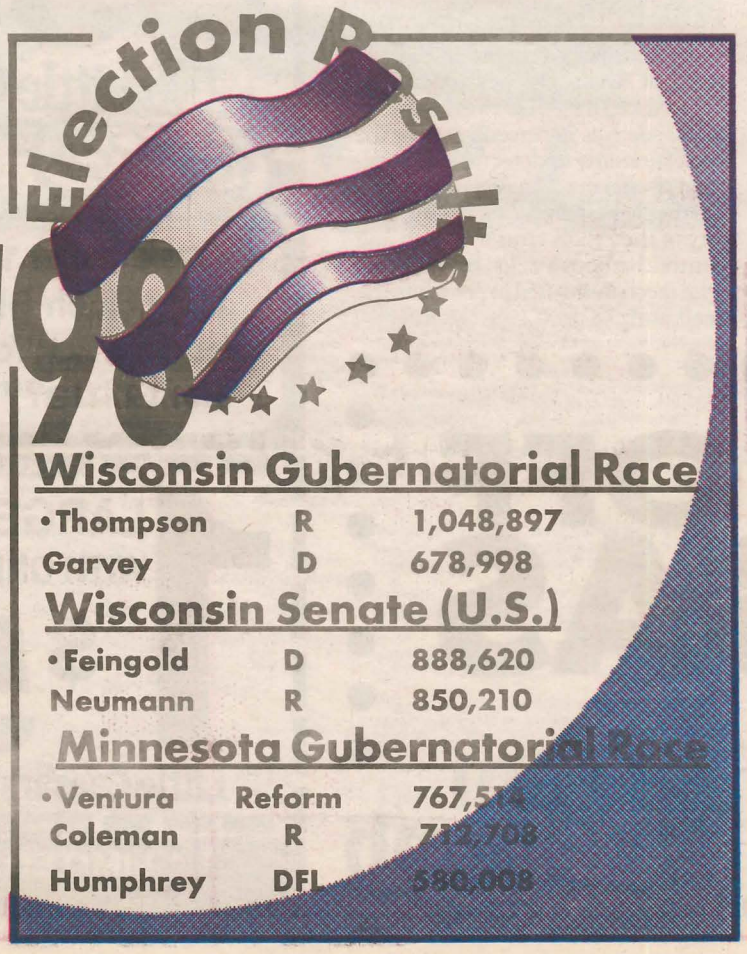
Construction of the complex is tentatively set to begin in June of 1999. Priced at $7.5 million, the new communications center will rise three stories and take up 39,000 square feet.

Consisting of two wings joined centrally by an atrium, the new facility will supply modernized classrooms equipped with the latest multi-media capabilities. In addition, it will house the networking and computer support for the campus, excluding residence halls.

The facility will be constructed on what is currently known as Lot #14 between the current Communications Building and North Hall.

Completion of the new building is proposed for August of 2000. After the completion of the new facility, the old building will be demolished and converted to parking.

However, during the construction of the new facility, lack of parking may pose a temporary problem. The University Parking Office is currently looking at options to minimize this potential dilemma. The parking shortage is hoped to be resolved by the spring of 2000.



Computers and equipment for sale?

by Tim Bleidorn-Piper
Assistant News Editor

With all of the technological advances occurring in the modern age, it is becoming nearly impossible for a student at any university to receive a satisfactory education without the constant use of computers. Students have always had access to computers on campus, and most departments have been doing a good job of making computers available to the student body without hassle. But where do the university departments receive the computers? What is done with the computers when it's time to upgrade?

According to purchasing official Mark Skutley, the computers are "Reused, cannibalized [stripped for parts] and then sold." The computers are taken from the offices receiving new equipment. They are then sent to the surplus warehouse where they are either given to other departments for re-use

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Computers/unknown auction

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of parts or they are stripped and stored for supposed auctions "held here," said Skutley.

When asked, several students expressed disappointment at never being informed of any auction held here on campus selling computer equipment. Skutley replied by saying that the auctions were in fact advertised in the Dunn County newspaper. Although the paper, when asked about the advertisements, replied that they didn't have any ads about the auction because their records don't go back that far.

Faculty member Gordon Jones reported that the computers are in fact not offered to students, but rather, "They are sent to Madison and sold down there." When asked why the computers are not sold to UW-Stout students, Jones replied, "We can't afford to."

The obvious discrepancies in the stories pose many questions.



Photo by Lisa Harris, Staff *Photographer*

Various equipment sits unused in surplus rooms waiting to be auctioned off. Numerous questions arise regarding when and where the equipment is made available to students.

After requesting to see the documents regarding the purchasing and selling of new and used computers, the response given was, "They are supposed to be confidential."

Throughout the entire controversy, many contradictions have arisen. The clear-cut answer to where these computers are sold is still a mystery. The one thing that is known is through either misrepresentation of the facts or honest mistakes on the part of the university, students have been missing out on a great opportunity.

Fees/student objections fuel fire

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speech challenges.

Constant with the Justice's warning, lawsuits have begun to appear throughout the U.S. Wisconsin has been no exception.

Earlier in the year, the Seventh Circuit Court in Madison sided with students who filed a suit in opposition to mandatory student fees. In August, the Seventh U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the ruling in Southworth vs. Grebe.

According to the court, using fees to fund activist groups on campus that students do not support violates the First Amendment right to "freedom of belief." This practice is not critical to a university's educational mission, the three-judge panel ruled. Even if it was, First Amendment rights should outweigh government interests.

It is up to Madison to decide how they will comply with the ruling.

Mark Rotenberg, University of Minnesota's general counsel, says that the university supports payment of mandatory fees to promote a range of student activities and that this "exposes students to ideas and challenges their thinking in ways they might otherwise not be challenged."

Just because some students don't agree with the activities of some of the groups is not by itself a violation of anyone's free-speech rights, Rotenberg said.

University of Wisconsin officials have taken a similar stand.

"Our appeal to the Seventh Circuit asks them to take special consideration of the educational value of student democracy and civic practice," said Katherine Lyall, president of the University of Wisconsin System, before the August ruling.

Other public universities have been sued over their fee systems. Rulings in Oregon upheld mandatory student fees and are being appealed. Additionally, the California Supreme Court sided with students who objected to this practice.

Many believe this is just the beginning of a wave of similar suits.

It is likely the ruling will affect all University of Wisconsin campuses, according to University of Wisconsin-Madison and Justice Department spokesman, Jim Haney.

University Notes

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper from submitted news releases

Holiday giving tree

The Terrace will be holding a holiday giving tree sponsoring children, families, and senior citizens. If interested, sign-up is being held on Nov. 2-5 and Nov. 9-12 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants are being asked to donate three gifts with a total value of $15-$25 to the cause of spreading the holiday cheer to those who are less fortunate.

Network Technology meeting

There will be an Integrated Networking Tech. meeting on Thursday, Nov. 12 from 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Cedarwood Room of MSC. Applied Math and Telecom seniors and co-ops welcome.

NAEA meeting

NAEA will be having a meeting on Nov. 11 and Dec. 2 in the Applied Arts building room 226 at 6:00 p.m. If you are planning on becoming a new member, contact Dan at 235-2224 or Michelle at 235-4638. The Dec. 2 meeting will be the last of the semester.

Mind reader holding show

Mind reader Christopher Carter will be giving a Theater of Thought show on Thursday Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Great Hall. Shows will include comedy, demonstration of telepathic ability, and mind reading, including electrifying psychic mysteries.

Campus safety program

Stout will be holding a campus safety program Wednesday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. in the Great Hall. The program will be instructed by Officer Doug Briggs of the Menomonie Police Department and is sponsored by the Panhellenic Council. For more information contact Jenni at 233-1052.

United Way fundraiser

The Stout Student Association is raising money for the United Way of Dunn County to support such organizations as the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Kinship, Hmong American Community Association, Teen Care Runaway program, and the American Red Cross. The goal of the SSA is to raise $14,000, and they are asking for contributions from the community and local businesses in their effort to reach their goal. If interested, contact Jessica at x-1028.

Police Beat

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Bicycle vandalism

On Monday, Oct. 26 officers at the campus police department received an anonymous call reporting five persons damaging several bicycles in university Lot #6. When police arrived, three persons were seen standing in the lot's entrance, one of which was holding a bike tire. The persons were questioned, but maintained that they had nothing to do with the vandalism. No one was held, and the case was closed.

Automobile damage

On Wednesday, Oct. 28 a call was made regarding a hit and run in university Lot # 24. A 1990 Plymouth minivan was parked in the lot and had been hit by a car apparently pulling out of the space next to the van. Red scrapes were found on the minivan, but there were no red cars found in the area. Damage was found on the passenger side sliding door and the rear passenger side bumper. Police have no suspects.

Automobile vandalism

On Wednesday, Oct. 29 police reported damage to a car parked in Lot #5. When inspected by officers, damage included a smashed windshield and passenger side window. Nothing appeared to be missing from the car and the owner was notified. Police reported it as a random act of vandalism and have no suspects.

Automobile vandalism

Damage was reported to a motor vehicle parked in Lot # 39 on Monday, Nov. 1, at an undetermined time. The passenger side window of the car was smashed by a blunt object. Again, police have no suspects.

News Briefs

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper

Central America hit hard

The death toll of Hurricane Mitch now exceeds 7,000, with thousands still either missing or dead. One third of the Nicaraguan population is now homeless and in dire need of medical and food supplies. The Nicaraguan government has now resorted to the use of helicopters to provide aid to the victims after several bridges in the region collapsed from severe flooding. The hurricane is expected to turn north over the Gulf of Mexico, where meteorologists fear the storm will gain strength.

Space weather under watch

The Nations Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which also oversees the weather services on earth, has announced they will be giving regular updates on solar weather. The office will be closely monitoring the solar storms and violent explosions produced by the sun, which have been linked to satellite and communications disturbances here on earth. The administration feels that the solar explosions are reaching a point where it becomes necessary for the weather to be closely monitored.

AIDS drug shows promise

New York - A new experimental drug is currently under development and is showing promise in the war against AIDS. The new drug, T-20, has reduced the AIDS virus in patients by as much as 99 percent, making the disease nearly undetectable by medical physicians. The drug, when used in the highest doses, attacks the ability of the AIDS virus to attach and enter the body's cells, by disabling the mechanism used to penetrate the cell wall.

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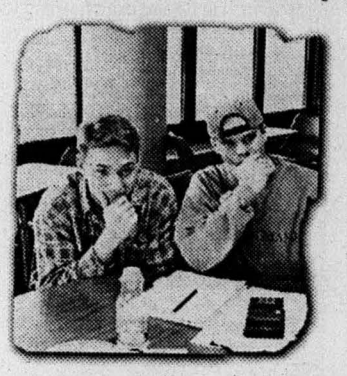
Campus Slant

If you were alone in a cave with a match, a candle, an oil lamp, and a wood-burning stove, which would you light first to provide the most heat and why?



"Lamp...it will keep going; the candle will blow out too easily."

Ben Garvens
Junior
Packaging



"Oil lamp...because it would provide light too!"

Justin Young
and Dan Jorgenson
Sophomores
Construction Mgmt.



"A candle to keep a flame; then I would reuse the match to light everything else."

Richard Palms
Freshman
Early Childhood



"Wood-burning stove because candles are for romantic things and not to keep warm!"

Sara Fodroczi
Sophomore
Marketing Education



"Stove...it's bigger!"

Natalie Jelinek
Senior
General Business Admin.

***The real answer: you light the match first**

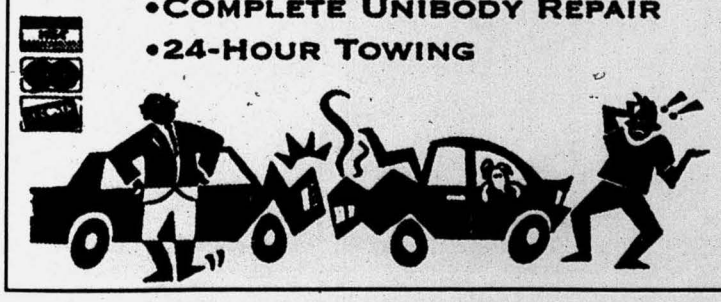
Next Week's Question: What is your favorite quote?

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Dear Editor:

I beg to differ with your article in the the Oct. 22 issue of the Stoutonia. I am the owner and operator of the video store you referred to as "north of town." We have always considered ourselves in north Menomonie as part of the town. By the way, we do have the movie *Slapshot*. We also do not feel we have a "subpar video selection."

I had bought out another video store downtown on March 1 of this year. I expected a *Field of Dreams* would build it and they would come. I was forced to close it six months later for the same reason the former owner sold out. The entertainment dollar is not being spent on video rentals in Menomonie. Your speculation regarding large chain stores coming into Menomonie is not substantiated by the flow of money to support it. It is easy to talk the talk, but when it comes to walking the walk, it comes down to dollars and "sense."

Thank you for letting me express an opinion.

Gary Scholfield
Owner/operator of Video Biz

the Stoutonia

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Who's Who contest

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

Students have the opportunity to nominate themselves and receive national recognition. Applications are now available at the Student Organization Center Desk for the Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities Award.

For over 60 years, Who's Who has worked with 1,900 senior colleges in recognizing student leaders.

Selection of these students is made by campus nominating committees and is based on above average academic standing, community service, leadership ability, and potential for continued success.

Students selected for the honor have biographical sketches in the annual 1,700 page publication, receive a certificate that can be included in their portfolio, and have access to the Reference Service. This provides recipients seeking post graduate employment with fellowships or admission to various service organizations.

Students may opt to purchase copies of the publication and other gifts, but there is no membership fee or charge for use of the Reference Service.

Students who wish to apply are judged in four areas: scholarship, leadership, extra-curricular activities, and citizenship. For each section, applicants are asked to describe their contributions and specify dates of activities they have participated in.

In addition, students are asked to submit not more than two letters of recommendation in which the writer addresses how long and on what basis they have known the applicant, how the applicant has served their organization, and special qualities the applicant has shown in the four areas of evaluation.

All letters of recommendation must keep the applicant's identity hidden, so as to ensure no bias enters into the evaluation process.

A committee organized by the public relations committee of the Stout Student Association will judge applicants. Up to 80 may be accepted from Stout. Each of the four sections has a total of 10 points, for a total possibility of 40. Traditionally, those selected for the honor have at least 30 points or 75 percent of the total points.

Applicants must have junior or senior status and have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.8 or above.

Last year seven students, Lynn Hatton, Traci Pederson, Sara Rasque, Jill Salzmann, Keri Schermerhorn, Mark Mitchell Tilc, and J. Javan Wehmeir were selected by Stout to receive this honor.

Faculty Profile

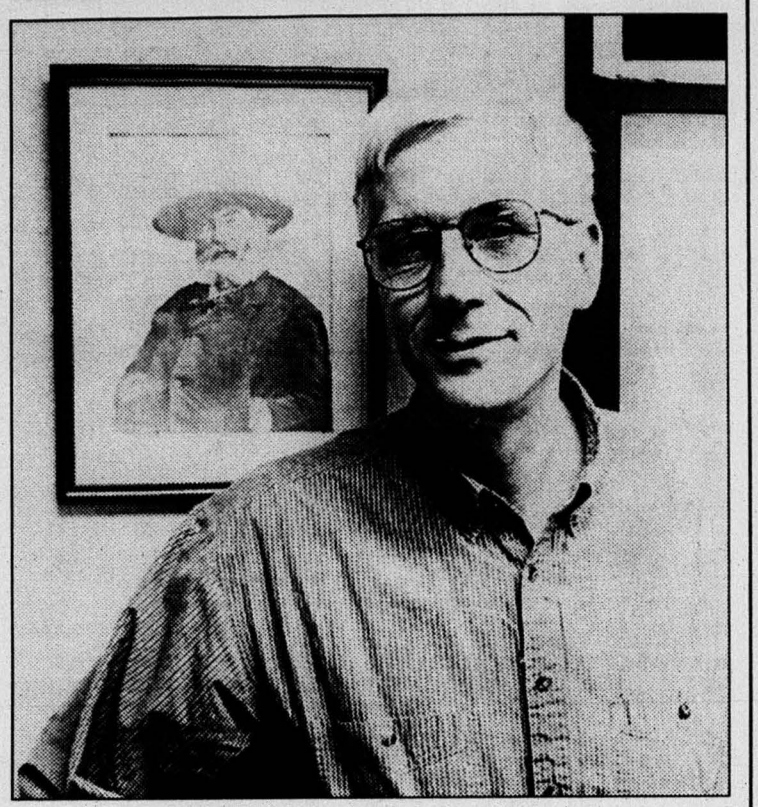


Photo by Rod Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

by Alissa Bergstrom
Staff Reporter

Hiking to school each morning, Dr. Dan Riordan has traveled the same 10 blocks since he arrived at UW-Stout in 1970. With intentions to stay for two years and then move out west, the small town ambiance caught hold of him. Menomonie has been his home ever since.

Riordan recalls one fateful afternoon when an English professor singled him out and became a principal influence in his decision to teach. "He [the professor] believed that teaching suited me. Wow, was he right! I can't believe people pay me to do this," said Riordan.

His life choice to teach is exemplified by his passion to constantly improve the quality of education for students. Currently, Riordan holds the chairman position for UTIC (University Teaching Improvement Counsel). This group is united across the UW System to advocate more effective teaching.

He, along with a few other colleagues, is also putting the finishing touches on bringing an Applied Communications major to Stout. The major is expected to be offered in the fall of 1999.

Being in the classroom is an aspect of teaching that Riordan specifically enjoys. While he was chairman of the English Department, a position which took him out of the classroom, he missed being a direct catalyst for student learning. "I like seeing the lightbulb turn on," he stated.

Not to be overlooked are the four editions of "Technical Report Writing Today" that Riordan began writing in 1986. Look for the fifth edition that is due out sometime this winter.

Aside from his devotion to teaching, Riordan has developed a profound interest in photography. He primarily takes photographs of nature scenes because he believes "art is everywhere." Check out Emma's Bakery early next January, when many of his photographs will be on display.

Riordan's pedagogical approach in the classroom keeps students on their toes. One of his objectives is to teach students to weigh out all options. He believes his teaching style allows students to get the most out of the classroom experience. Riordan advises, "Keep an open mind and consider the alternatives."

...Just Another Day

Chloe depicts the life of an average college student. Within this column, details of a real student's life are portrayed.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Reporter



It's been a pretty boring week for me. Nothing exciting ever happens. Just once, I want to be a witness to a crime or an innocent bystander that gets inadvertently dragged into a tangled web of drama and danger. This would mean I would have to secretively solve the mystery that engulfs me, without being caught. I mean my whole life is a series of Nancy Drew episodes, when I want Agatha Christie. Sure, I get into mischief, but I want intense conflict with an unknown resolution. I want to be able to write a novel on my experiences and actually have it read.

Take for example this last week. The most exciting thing to happen to me was when my brakes went out, causing me to run through oncoming traffic. I was rushing to the Stoutonia from an AA meeting (which I now attend to support a friend), hoping I wouldn't be too late on production night. I pulled up to an intersection, wanting to turn right to get on 25. I have never noticed this before, but being the center highway of the town of Menomonie, Highway 25 is pretty busy, especially when you are cruising into it with no means of stopping.

So I'm driving along, singing my heart out to Bare Naked Ladies, and I see a red light. I think to myself, "No problem; I know what to do on a red light." Not to skip ahead or anything, but I can tell you today's lesson right now, knowing what to do and actually doing it are two separate entities. I do what I normally do on a red light: stop (except if I think there's a good chance I will make it through without getting hit by cars with the right of way and I don't see a cop in sight). To my dismay, my brakes are temporarily out of commission. Wasn't there a better time for this to happen? Of course, I'm pumping them madly as I come within inches of the intersection, like there's any chance I will stop now. At this point, I have run out of ideas and options. I now choose to close my eyes, duck, and pray to God for safety. In my mind, I envision cars swishing past me, swerving within seconds of hitting me. I get to the opposite side of the intersection and again hit my brakes. Yeah, sure, now they work. Like that couldn't have helped me about two seconds ago?

Wanting to catch the breath that escaped me, I stop the car and put my head on the horn. I look up to see a car pulled over behind me. This big scary guy saunters over with a cigarette hanging from his mouth. Gross, didn't anyone tell him the health risks? I didn't catch the first part of his tirade because my window was up (thank God), but I did catch the words "dumb," "chick," and many unique combinations of swear words that came out of his mouth.

"That's it, I've had it with men!" I scream. "I know what red means, and I know what green means. For your information, I got a 96 on my driver's test. Before you blow your lid and cause your cigarette to fall into my car, thus creating yet another problem with it, shut up or I'll..." I hesitated to find a threat that would actually scare this guy besides giving him a mirror... "I'll run you over!"

To be continued...

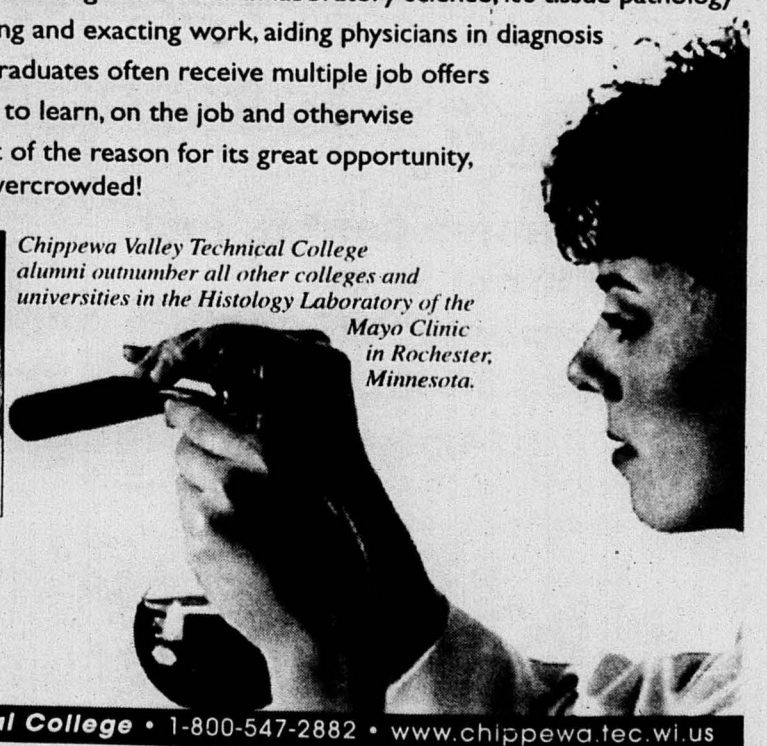
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Witnessing Oz's Dark Side of the Rainbow

Recently the Fine Arts Association (FAA) held a showing of the classic movie *The Wizard of Oz* while simultaneously playing Pink Floyd's "Dark Side of the Moon," better known to some as "The Dark Side of the Rainbow." The event was held on Thursday, Oct. 29, and if you missed it and have never experienced it before, I suggest that you try it sometime with your friends. Aside from anything drug related, it's a trip and a half!



A Review

Phil Skretvedt

The instructions for the event run much like a recipe. First, get yourself a copy of the CD and movie. Pop the CD in your player and set it on full CD repeat. Next, start the movie and turn the volume way down. Now, get ready because you have to start the CD on the third roar of the black and white MGM lion. The entire experience depends on your timing of the roar. If you're wondering if you did it right, here are some of the strange coincidences that you should notice:

* when the band sings "balanced on the biggest wave," Dorothy is balancing on top of a fence,
* Floyd sings "home...home again," when the fortuneteller tells Dorothy to go home,
* the mood of the movie changes when the songs change,
* the "cha-ching" of the cash register in the song *Money* happens just as Dorothy opens the door to unleash the color of Munchkin Land,
* the song *Brain Damage* is played during the Scarecrow's big scene, and
* finally, the words "home...home again" are sung when Dorothy opens her eyes and finds herself back home in black and white.

There are many weird theories behind this bizarre experience, but most people believe that Pink (as his good friends call him) designed his album to coincide with the movie just to screw with our heads.

Personally, I don't believe that's true. First off, CDs weren't even invented when the band made the album, only records. Secondly, full CD repeat buttons weren't on CD players until recently.

My hat goes off to the FAA for putting on such an event. Anyone interested in FAA can easily join. They'll be holding meetings on Nov. 5, 19, and Dec. 3 at 5:45 p.m. in room 321 of the Applied Arts building. Membership is open to everyone, and no membership fee is required, since FAA is funded by the Stout Student Association (SSA).

Their mission, should they choose to accept it, is to raise art awareness by bringing in artists to speak, going on field trips, showing movies, and sponsoring the end-of-the-year student artwork exhibition, where the campus buys the artwork that we see in the library and everywhere else on campus.

Some of FAA's upcoming events will include a show on masks by artist Robert Faust on Nov. 19 in the Harvey Hall theater and a field trip to Franconia Sculpture Park in Shafer, Minn.

Don't have to be a member to attend most of these events; just keep your eyes open for their flyers. That's my bed, and I'm sleeping in it.

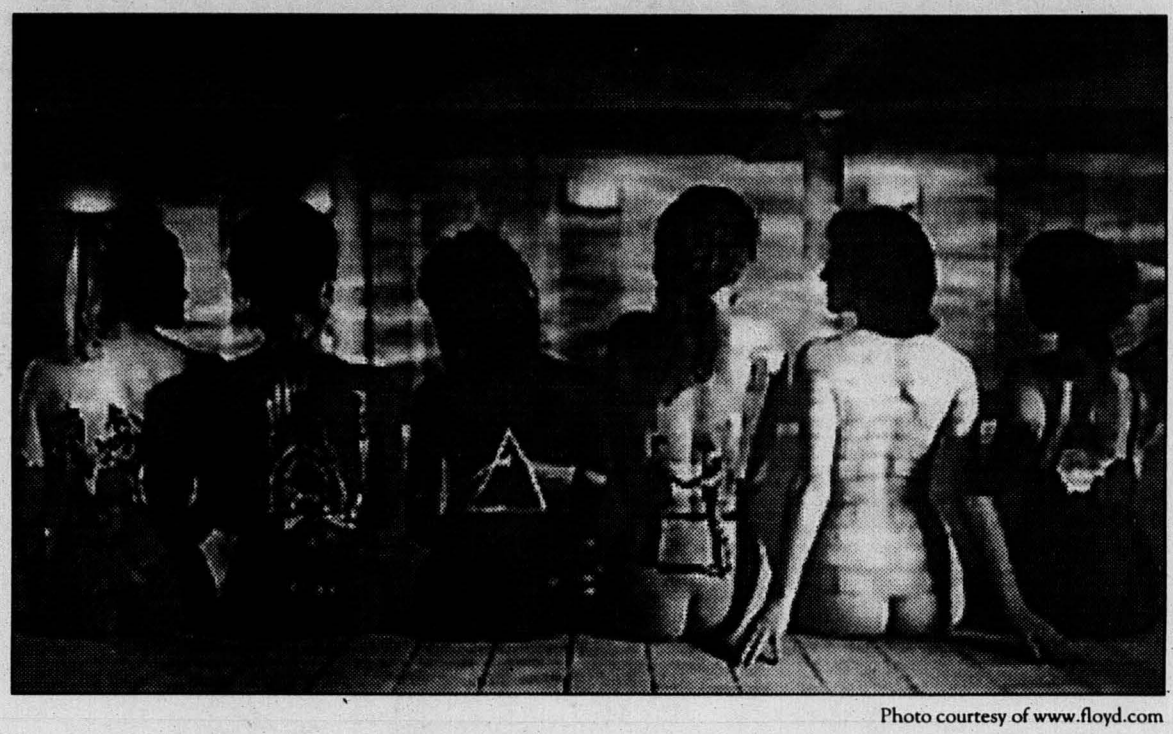
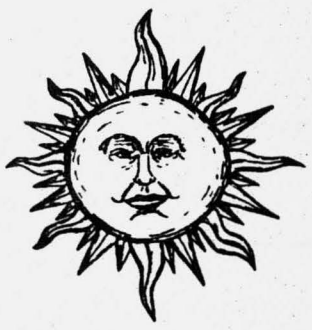


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Pink Floyd, here presenting a discology on the backs of females, is one of the most popular and provocative bands ever. Debatably one of their greatest maneuvers includes the "coincidence" of the timing in their album "Dark Side of the Moon" and the movie *The Wizard of Oz*. The band actively negates coinciding the album with the movie, but upon watching the spectacle, the statement is difficult to believe.

Horoscopes



For the week of Nov. 5, 1998 through Nov. 12, 1998

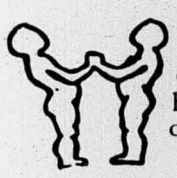
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Deny everything.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) A hive of naked mole rats will move in with you today. You will find that they are relatively friendly creatures. However, it will be hard to explain their presence to your friends.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Good day to bring home a bag or two of live bugs.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22) You will accidentally step on someone's foot, and they will say "Ow!" Then you'll say, "No pain, no gain." He won't enjoy your sense of humor.



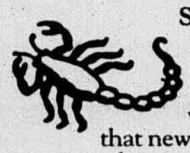
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) This week you'll discover a trick to make those classes seem more interesting. You'll imagine that everyone has a ferret clinging to their head.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Because your organ donor was a dog when you had that kidney transplant, you'll soon develop an obsession for running around humping other people's legs. Don't worry though, people will understand. Some will kind of like it.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You'll be banned from McDonald's today when you get caught taking one too many ketchup packets.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You'll find yourself struggling when you open that new pickles n' chives ice cream shop.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Your eyeball will fall out today. Good thing you have another one.



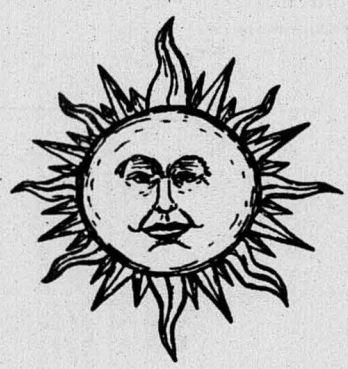
Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Bob's parrot is going to crap on your head again today.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Because of your popularity last week on Halloween, you'll start to wear your bare-ass chaps to every function you feel is appropriate, which will turn out to be everything.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Somehow you get the crap beat out of you while offering to escort an elderly lady across the street.



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Personal bests abound for Blue Devil Cross Country

by Kyle Madson
Sports Reporter

In addition to all the trick-or-treaters scampering about, this past Saturday found both of the Stout Cross Country Teams in action, as they participated in the WIAC Championships in Oshkosh.

The Women's Team finished in fourth place in the championship, a mere seven points behind UW-Stevens Point, a team they felt they should have bettered. "We were disappointed in our fourth place finish, but our times were moving in the right direction," said Women's Cross Country Coach Carlene Hochhalter. Despite the disappointment in the results, 11 of Stout's 12 runners set personal bests.

Stout's dynamic duo, seniors Katy Olsen and Katie Jacobson, took dead aim at the record books as they both demolished the 5K record. Olsen crossed the line in a time of 18:01, good for third place, while obliterating the Stout 5K record of 18:29. Jacobson followed close behind, coming in with a time of 18:03 and placing fourth overall.

Competing shortly after the women finished, the Men's Cross Country Team also strided the course. The men were heartily challenged as they competed in arguably the most talented Division III cross country conference in the nation.

Finishing sixth overall behind several nationally ranked teams, nine of Stout's participants posted lifetime bests. Among these individuals were Eric Hanson, who placed 20th overall and ran the fourth fastest time at Stout since Chris Hall has been coach. Immediately behind Hanson was teammate Josh Johnson, who placed 21st and recorded the fifth fastest time that Hall has witnessed. Freshman Clint Latz also turned in a stellar performance for the Devil's squad.

"I was very pleased with our team's performance," stated Hall. "They bought into a team concept and it paid off for them."

The Cross Country Teams will be sending their top seven runners to Regionals in St. Louis, MO, Nov. 14. From the 32 teams competing, only five will advance to nationals. The Men's Team looks to put up their best team score of the year and aim at a top nine finish. Coach Hall also believes he has three athletes with potential to advance to nationals.

"I was very proud of the way the team performed this year," said Hall of his squad, which lost its top three athletes from last season and posts only one senior in the top seven this season. Hall is very optimistic of this team's future potential.

Men's Volleyball Club returns



Photo by Roderick Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

Last year, the UW-Stout Men's Volleyball Club finished 19th in the country. With the return of co-MVPs John Haggard (standing) and Justin Crist (right) and starters Andy Higgens (left) and Willy Hall (middle), the team expects even better success this year.

Soccer Team toughs out season's end

Soccer Team finishes their season on a downer, but spirits are high as they look forward to next year

by Rich Spicer
Sports Reporter

"...but there was no joy in Mudville, for the mighty Casey, had struck out." While hardly the way a team likes to end a season, when viewed in terms of excitement for the fans, the UW-Stout Women's Soccer Team delivered in a big way against UW-Whitewater during their season ending tournament in River Falls last week.

Defense ruled the day. Sporting a final score of just 1-0, the game produced no scoring strikes until three minutes into the second overtime period of the game. The clincher was shot by the Warhawks' Kaelyn Hittman. As the ball screamed towards the net Blue Devil goalie Nikki Bezak made a valiant attempt to deflect the ball up and over the post. Unfortunately, the ball found its mark in spite of the partial deflection Bezak was able to deliver. This shot broke up the 0-0 tie that had defined the contest until then. It's important to note that this lack of points was not caused by a lapse in offense, as Whitewater just barely out did Stout in shots on goal with 25 attempts to the Blue Devils 21.

Blue Devil coach Lisa Petruccelli took the loss in stride saying, " It only takes one goal to win a soccer game, and we just didn't happen to be the team to get it this time." A sentiment to warm the heart, or at least put the fun back in the game. That's not to say the Blue Devils weren't, or won't be, a force to be reckoned with. Three seniors, Allisa Halverson, Carrie Blaska, and Tammy Beuch, started this season and will be sorely missed in next year's squad. However, there are six juniors expected to return, which means a strong core of players to build upon. To paraphrase Coach Petruccelli, a talented team is necessary if you want to win a game, but next year's season is only as good as this year's recruiting class.

High hopes are in place for next season. Having finished this season with a win/loss record of 7-10-1, next year's team will have the unique advantage of a combination of room to foster new talents as well as a core of solid veterans who have proven they can win games. The team would like to thank the fans that have turned out in support over the course of the season, and next years team will be just as appreciative. Thanks for a great season, ladies.



A humbled Viking fan must dolefully admit that even Superman wore his underwear on the outside of his suit once and a while.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Football

UW-Whitewater's Rob Johnston posted a 34-yard field goal to lift the Warhawks to a 45-43 win over UW-Stout Saturday at Whitewater.

Johnston's game winner came after a 13-yard Blue Devils touchdown pass from quarterback Matt Bunyan to John Bekish.

It looked as if the Blue Devils could notch a win against the Warhawks, until Stout received an unsportsmanlike conduct call.

Bunyan threw for five touchdowns and passed for a school record 486 yards. Shawn Lund caught five passes, including one touchdown reception, tying him for the single season school record.

Stout will conclude their home schedule when they host UW-Stevens Point this Saturday at 1 p.m.

Men's Hockey

Oct. 30

Brendan Connelly scored two goals to lead the Air Force to a 3-2 win over Stout at the Cadet Ice Arena in Colorado Springs, CO.

Stout opened the scoring when Graham Lomen scored off an assist from Greg Foster and Shane Maher.

Blue Devil Luke Murray sent a pass to Mark Corbett to tie the game at 2-2. The Air Force scored the game-winning goal at the 5:10 mark.

Air Force outshot Stout, 44-16. Stout's Todd Sether stopped 41 shots.

Oct. 31

The Falcons prevailed again as the Air Force shut down Stout, 5-1.

The Blue Devils held them scoreless through the first period, after a goal by Shane Maher, but the floodgates flew open in the final periods. Stout was outshot 37-12, with Ben Plester turning away 32 shots.

Stout returns to action this weekend, when they travel to UW-Stevens Point and back to the Dunn County Ice Arena to host the Pointers.

Women's Volleyball

Stacy Stoddard broke the school record for single season kills at the UW-River Falls Trick-or-Treat Volleyball Invitational.

In a sweep of Minnesota-Crookston, Stoddard recorded nine kills to match last season's total of 444. In a loss to River Falls, she pounded out 15 more.

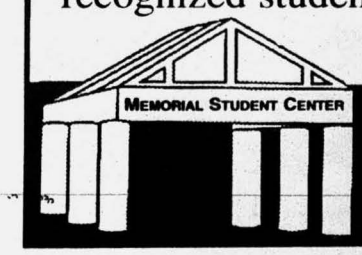
The Blue Devils lost a marathon match to UW-Eau Claire in which Stoddard recorded 22 kills, Tori Feit, 21, and Kim Roshell, 10.

Stout opens up WIAC quarterfinal action Tuesday, Nov. 3, when they travel to UW-Stevens Point.

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Contents inside may be offensive...



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

The Birch Gallery, located in the lower level of MSC is host to the "Art on Flesh" exhibit. Since opening on Nov. 3, it has attracted the curious and incredulous, but not the weak of stomach. The show of "tattoos and other obscurities" displays photos of piercings done at Mind Altering Tattoos in La Crosse and tattoo art from Rogue's Gallery in Menomonie.

Design Show finds an alternative spot

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

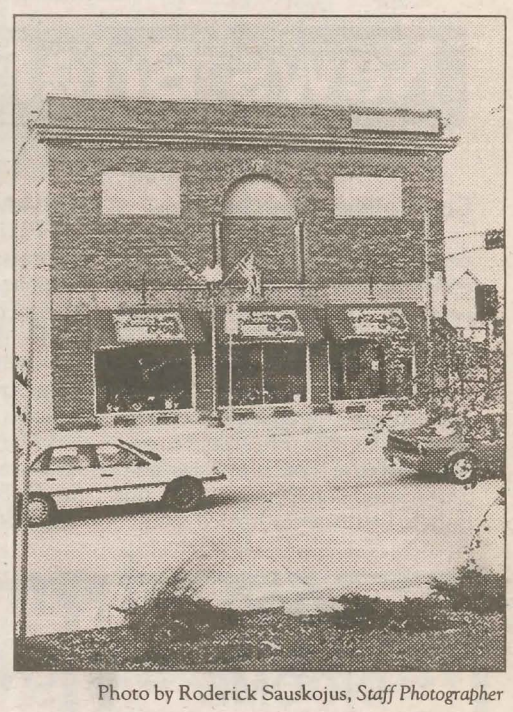


Photo by Roderick Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

In their final semester at UW-Stout, all fine arts studio majors, Art Education majors, and Graphic Design majors are required to have a final show.

But this semester, these seniors were unsure of the place for their show, and their place within the university.

The space normally used for senior exhibits is not available because of construction of the new student gallery on the second floor of the Applied Arts building.

For the first time, the show will appear in the space atop the Acoustic Cafe.

Over the course of the past 15 years, the program has grown considerably and students began to call for group shows like their peers at UW-Eau Claire were having to display their work.

Students in the Graphic Design program make up half of the students seeking degrees in the department of Art and Design. In the beginning, graduating class sizes were small but over time they have grown and the need for large, professional spaces for their exhibits has increased.

Over the years, students have conducted senior shows in Minneapolis, in downtown Menomonie locations, and more recently in campus galleries such as the Furlong and Birch or in the Commons.

According to Gene Bloedorn, Art and Design professor and gallery director, it was Tim O'Keefe, art and design professor and students who chose the space above the Acoustic Cafe as the alternate site for the show.

Many Graphic Design students have expressed anger and dissatisfaction with the show not being held on campus, particularly in the fact that the Furlong Gallery in particular will not be used to house the show.

According to Bloedorn, however, the Furlong is an exhibit of ongoing shows of all kinds of work by different people. The revolving faculty show has been ongoing for over 30 years and schedules for the gallery are made up to a year in advance.

The Furlong Gallery space has housed student shows and will be the site of the end of the year design and fine arts shows in the spring of 1999.

The smaller size of this gallery, however, doesn't provide enough space for the large number of students graduating in graphic design.

Both Verdon and Bloedorn sight construction of the new gallery in Applied Arts as the major reason for relocation of the senior show.

"It is not our intention to limit

Please see Graphic Design on page 2

Universities rethinking their faculty speech code

Submitted by UW System Information

Should a farm science professor be punished for using a *Playboy* centerfold to illustrate different cuts of meat? What about if a history professor uses a racial epithet when describing the slave trade?

For the past 17 years, the answer at the University of Wisconsin was almost certainly yes. But for the past year, this bastion of political correctness has been rethinking that rigidity in a closely watched attempt to soften its faculty speech code, one of the nation's oldest and most restrictive.

"The challenge is to avoid using a speech code to deal with all irritating speech," said Roger Howard, associate dean of students. "We really want to go after this very atrocious speech where the pattern will show at least some evidence of intent by a faculty member to make the environment hostile because of a student's race, color, gender, etc."

The work is being viewed by academics nationwide as a turning point, or at least some of the first pebbles of a potential landslide among anti-harassment speech codes that most U.S. campuses have adopted in the past 20 years.

To some, it is a long-overdue repudiation of censorship on campus. To others, it portends a swing of the pendulum back to second-class status for anyone not among traditional elites.

The key question is: What limits, if any, should control communication between faculty and students, balancing First Amendment rights and a desire to protect students from harm?

Already, courts have struck down student speech codes as unconstitutional in New Hampshire, Michigan, California, and elsewhere. Wisconsin's student speech code was struck down by a federal judge in 1991, although the faculty code remained intact.

Some universities have been paralyzed by the controversies. At the University of Massachusetts, a verbal harassment policy that had been expected to take effect three years ago has languished in draft form, in light of concerns about vague language.

Wisconsin's re-examination is happening on a campus known at once for P.C. orthodoxy and free-wheeling speech.

The sidewalks throughout campus are alive with chalk graffiti hawking causes of all stripes, and a bronze plaque bolted to the main administration building sings the praises of "that continual and fearless sifting and winnowing by which alone the truth can be found."

Manditory fee case at door of Supreme Court

by Kerry Savatski
Staff Reporter

Across the nation, students have been filing suits against universities that mandate student fees to activist organizations. In two separate rulings in Wisconsin, students have emerged victorious. The most recent round, decided in the Seventh Circuit Court, is now being appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court by the Wisconsin Board of Regents.

At UW-Stout, $1.33 per credit, up to 12 credits, is set aside each semester for Stout Student Association funded activities. These funds would be put in jeopardy if students begin to refuse paying the fees.

According to Mary McManus, student services coordinator, a new student refund system for these fees will not have as much of an effect on Stout as other campuses in the UW System.

Other forms of financial assistance could be available to organizations as well. UW-Eau Claire, for example, chooses to fund student sponsored activities instead of the organizations themselves.

Before it was announced that the Seventh Circuit decision was to be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, Stout was beginning to create a system whereby students could choose not to fund certain activities they disagreed with.

Although the Seventh Circuit Court's decision involved UW-Madison, the precedent set refers to all in the Seventh Circuit, including Stout.

As a result, until the recent decision to appeal to the Supreme Court, Stout began discussion on an appropriate refund system for students to be included in their billing statements.

Now that the decision is being appealed again, Stout has stayed further action until the Court decides whether or not to hear the case.

Police Beat

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Harassment

On Nov. 3 a member of staff working the p.m. shift at the Tainter food service reported that she found a broom stuck to her windshield with the words "From the friendly Tainter staff"..."The wicked witch of the west...fly away." No suspects have been found, though people are still being questioned.

Theft

On Nov. 2, a student reported that their wallet was taken from the weight room in the Johnson Fieldhouse while they were working out. The wallet contained a WI driver's license, a UW-Stout ID, a S.S. card, and a WI fishing license. If you have any info call the UW-Stout Police Department at x-2222.

Stout property theft

On Nov. 3, police received a call from faculty regarding the theft of several pieces of equipment taken from room 312 of the Science Wing. Sometime between 12:10 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. electronic equipment priced at over $1,000 was removed. Faculty members say the door was locked but the back door connecting rooms 312 and 313 was left unlocked. Police have no suspects.

Hit and run

On Nov. 4 a police officer exiting the Administration Building parking lot spotted a 1980s model grey colored car with extreme frontal damage. The officer suspected the car was involved in a recent hit and run reported a week earlier. The officer radioed to the Menomonie Police Department and assisted in the arrest of the suspect.

News Briefs

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper

Court allows vouchers

The Supreme Court in a precedent-setting case declined to hear opposition to Wisconsin's voucher program allowing Milwaukee tax money to be used in both private and religious schools. The opposition claims the program will blur the line between church and state. "This is a green light for other states to proceed with the most promising education reform on the horizon," Clint Bolick, Institute for Justice, said.

Bin Laden deadline

Pakistan - The Taliban army said Monday that it will clear Saudi millionaire Osama bin Laden of the terrorism charges unless the U.S. provides damming evidence in his involvement in the U.S. Embassy bombing in East Africa. Pakistan officials added that they will not turn over Bin Laden even if the U.S. finds evidence, but rather he will be charged under Islamic law, which condones the death penalty for terrorism.

Anthrax threat

Indianapolis - A Catholic perish Monday received a letter claiming to contain the deadly spore Anthrax prompting 481 elementary students and teachers to be evacuated. Thirty-one people were decontaminated and treated with antibiotics as a precaution though the letter was found to be a false alarm.

Graphic Design/New location

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[the students]," said Ron Verdon, Art and Design professor,"but this short-term interruption provides for a long-term professional exhibition space."

The gallery, set to be complete within the next two months, will have a glass entrance, new storage areas, hardwood floors, and track-lighting similar to the Furlong Gallery.

Regardless for the reasons for the inconvenience, the show must go on...particularly for those attending the show in search of new talent.

University Notes

Compiled by Tim Bleidorn-Piper from submitted news releases

Design competition

For all Design students, the exhibit group Giltspur Student Design Competition is holding its "Launch Your Career 98!" The deadline for entering the competition is Dec. 1. Prizes include scholarships of $7,500, $5,000, and $2,000 with paid summer internships at Giltspur's 17 divisions also available to the top entries.

Lost and found

The LLC has reported a diamond wedding band found in the library on Oct. 29. If property belong to you, go to the LLC Circulation Desk and ask for either Mary Ellen or Ann.

Mind reader

Mind reader Christopher Carter will be giving a Theater of Thought show on Thursday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m. in the Great Hall. Shows will include comedy, demonstration of telepathic ability, and mind reading, including electrifying psychic mysteries.

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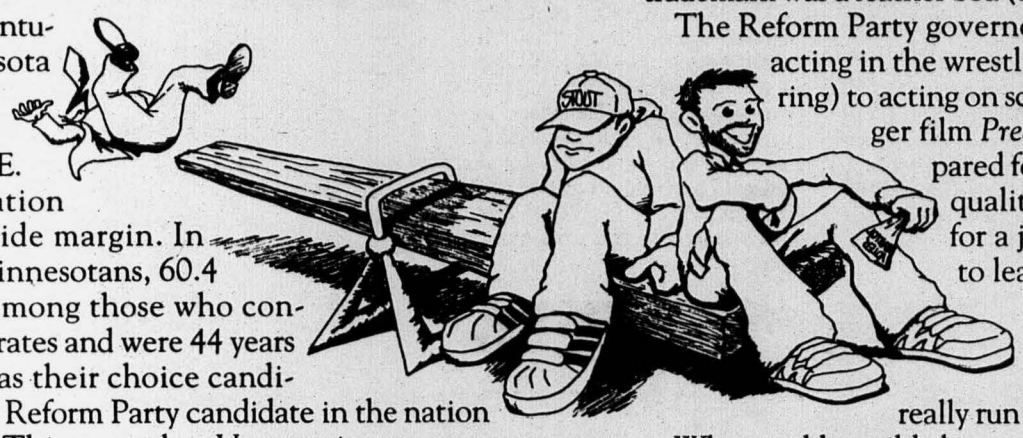
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Editorial

Rocking the vote



The election of Jesse Ventura to governor of Minnesota was a record breaker for young voters, proving WE CAN ROCK THE VOTE.

Minnesota led the nation in voter turnout by a wide margin. In fact, of all the eligible Minnesotans, 60.4 percent voted. Wow! Among those who considered themselves moderates and were 44 years and younger, Ventura was their choice candidate. He was also the first Reform Party candidate in the nation to win a statewide race. This says a lot. Ventura is a very, very, smart man. Despite his appearance, as far as he doesn't fit the typical mode of a politician, Ventura may just prove everyone wrong. There's a whole lot of pressure placed on him at this point in time. Either way, the people have spoken (rather loudly at that). Only time will tell as to whether they have selected a good leader or not.

According to the recent election results, many college students and other young voters got off their couches and exercised their voting power on Nov. 3.

It could theoretically be said that this is all thanks to Ventura, as he got young voters excited about elections as never before. How could one man really be responsible for such a huge voter turnout?

Jesse "the Mind" is a high school graduate with one year of community college under his belt. As most should know by now, he was a former professional wrestler (love the intimidating name "the Body"), whose wrestling trademark was a feather boa (again, fits well with the stage name).

The Reform Party governor made a slight switch in his day job from acting in the wrestling ring (oh, sorry, *wrestling* in the wrestling ring) to acting on screen, appearing in the Arnold Schwarzenegger film *Predator*, among others. (Video stores be prepared for an influx of students wanting to rent this quality film.) He left the big screen shortly after for a job as a radio talk show host, which he had to leave as well to run office.

As for political experience, he was mayor of Brooklyn Park. (If that's what you want to call it, considering the fact that the city was really run by a city manager.)

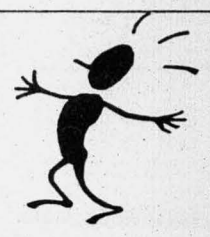
What could possibly be appealing about this man? A lot.

He showed up to a buttoned-down business luncheon in camouflage, appeared on a televised debate with a golf shirt, jacket, and running shoes on, and campaigned hard-core on college campuses wearing jeans and a Minnesota Timberwolves jacket. What a genius. He knows that three-piece suits equate with boring and stiff, while jeans and t-shirts equate with relaxed and approachable - the type of guy that wouldn't deal with the b.s. of others.

Overall, the Reformist appealed to college-aged people by realizing that they are the ones who could hypothetically run this country (something many of the young people themselves have not yet realized).

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Special privileges no longer set aside for those who need them

Those with a handicap must learn to live with their disabilities everyday.

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But it makes me so mad when people try to screw the system over and claim that they have a disability when they really don't. Sexual problems and women who are pregnant, these are not disabilities.

Taking the cake is the new close parking space for women who are pregnant or who have small children. Being pregnant or having children is not a disability. Therefore, they do not deserve special privileges, whatsoever.

But as usual, they will still continue to take advantage of the system in more ways than one.

Eddie Mullins
senior columnist

Time and time again, we continue to see the disabled taken advantage of, over and over. What will it take to put an end to the war of mis-using parking spaces and other privileges for the disabled?

The other big problem is when people use a handicap permit when they don't have the right to use them, like when a handicapped person is not in the car with a permit on it. Again, mis-use of special privileges.

The only way to put an end to the mis-use of parking spaces is to begin to fine the people who violate these rules. Otherwise, when will it all end?

How do we find a way to bring closure to a problem that has completely gone out of control?

It's one thing when people turn to the judgment of others, but when advantage is taken from another, that's a different situation that must be dealt with.

It's time that we stand up for the disabled and fight back. I can't believe that someone would have the gumption to take advantage of someone who is less fortunate.

I guess that it takes all kinds to step up in the wrong shoes and make a jerk out of themselves. Unbelievable!

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"You must not hop on Pop...by Dr. Suess."

Tom Sahr
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Hospitality and Tourism

Next Week's Question: What's in your Grandma's stuffing anyway?

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by Beth Winge
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The layout was put onto paper. The bids were made. A hole was dug in the ground and cement was poured. Brian and Vikki Gutsch were watching their thoughts and plans being transformed into something tangible. This story is generic but for one respect. The contractor who is building the house is actually an association on the UW-Stout campus.

The Stout Construction Association (SCA) was approached for the first time by the Gutsch family with blueprints asking if they would contract the house. They heard of SCA through mutual friends and wanted to give it a try.

Brian Gutsch states, "I heard good things about them and thought I'd look into it." It seems his inquiries have paid off. The good first impression led to a long string of events which amounted to the hole for the house being dug a month ago.

This isn't the first feat the SCA has accomplished. Rather, they have a large resume of building and remodeling. In the past they have taken Habitat for Humanity projects under their wing. Three years ago, they built a speck house. They have re-sided houses and built docks and various small remodeling projects to name a few.

The SCA is an organization consisting of a conglomeration of four national affiliations. Open to anyone with interest in the area, experience seems to be something acquired along the way. The environment is non-threatening since there are varying degrees of knowledge and expertise within the 45-50 members. Jason Blenker, SCA president, states, "It's a good way to make mistakes and not get fired."

Each semester, this association is approached with about a dozen offers of potential projects. They must then decide, according to how many members are active, how many projects they are able to take on that semester. General meetings discussing such matters occur every other Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in 290 Micheels Hall.

This is a construction association. So what is their purpose? They are not paid for their many hours of work nor are they funded by SSA. The only thing they do ask for is a donation at the completion of a job. This money goes directly back into the association.

To provide incentive to people on site, jackets are rewarded to those who put 120 hours of time into the association.

Blenker said their purpose is, "to leave this place a better place than we found it...we'll start with one town at a time," he ended, laughing.

The Gutsch house continues to be worked on. Subcontractors have been hired to pour cement and install electrical wiring and plumbing. Otherwise, the rest of the work has fell in the hands of SCA.

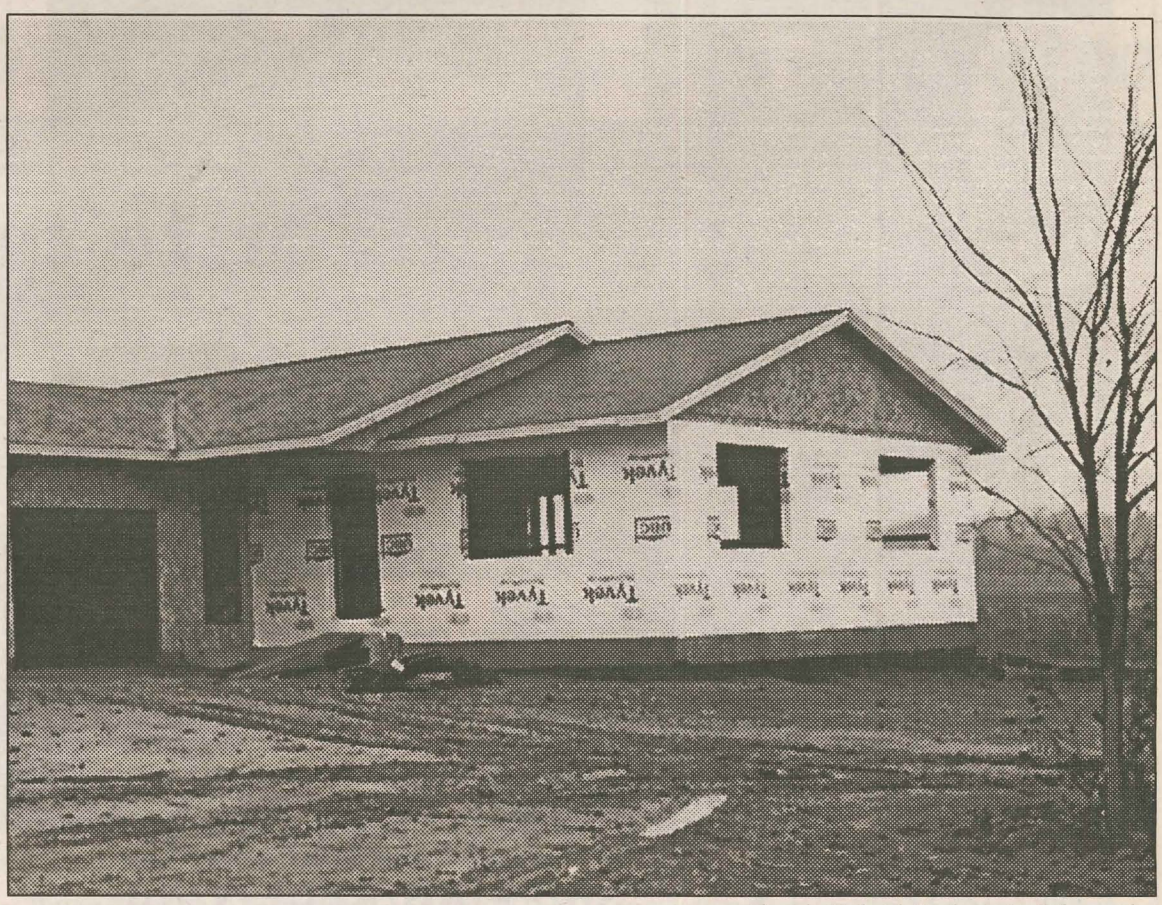


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The Gutsch's home has come a long way from the hole in the ground a month ago. Taking this project under their wing, the Student Construction Association intends for it to be finished by the middle of February.

The individual steps are many, but the basic process can be broken down to starting with a foundation.

Then, the floor system must be put in. The walls are next, followed by the roof and trusses. The windows, doors, and siding are then installed. After which it is the electricians' and plumbers' turn. Then it is insulated, followed by drywall. When this is completed, the finish and trim work are targeted (this includes cabinets). Lastly, the carpet and flooring are installed. Then the buyers can move in.

The SCA continues to work on the house with what Gutsch claims to be very professional and efficient standards. Estimates are that it should be completed by the middle of February. Throughout the process, the family has been very impressed with the progress. Gutsch states, "You don't expect it out of college students. When you think of students, you think of partiers." Obviously this club has demonstrated otherwise.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and may not be appropriate for children. This week, Chloe faces the reality of life and all of it's hardships. Today, her landlord threatens to kick her dog out of the house. Chloe must now decide how she is going to keep the dog.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

Life has taught me to respect my parents, but I think some days I am especially thankful for them. Today was one of those days. No, today was one of the days when I would clean my room if I was still at home.

I was driving home from class around 2:00; happy, carefree, and absolutely naive as to what was about to hit me violently and with a deadly force. Thinking about how creative my advertising assignment was and how much I had to study for a test that week, I walk into my house. I greet my roommates and they look confused and disoriented. It was as though they had something detrimental to say, but they didn't know how to say it. Then, while I was holding my breath, one of them finally spoke out. "Chloe, our landlord called."

Oh, I thought, maybe they wanted to thank us for our rent money or tell us we were really good tenants. Hey, it could happen, but not here and not to me. "What did he say?" I asked.

They looked at each other as if reaching out for a safety raft. "He said that nowhere in the lease does it say we can have Bailey in this house. They want the holes in the yard filled, the poop picked up, and the dog out by today. But they did say if you had any questions you could call them," (as if that were the bright side of things).

"But there was a dog put into the lease. I'm the one who fought for it," I said in my defense. For the first time in my life, I didn't know what to say.

I couldn't imagine just getting rid of Bailey. It's not like you can donate dogs to Goodwill. This is a live creature we're talking about. My mind went absolutely blank. What was I supposed to do now? I couldn't just call them up; I had to have some grasp of sanity before I did that. Mommy.

So I did what any other 21-year-old college student would do, I called my mom at work.

I could barely get the words out between sobs. I was sniffling and wheezing, choking and crying. I was misery at its worst. What could I do? My mom told me to call around and find out my rights before I assumed the worst. I called campus housing and the lawyer especially for Stout students. Let me tell you, it was looking pretty grim. They could bring me to court, they could kick me out of my house, the list goes on.

Next, I called my best friend. He told me not to borrow trouble.



Me? Just because I was crying my eyes out while packing my dog's belongings doesn't mean I was overreacting. He tried his best to get a coherent thought out of me, I think he gave up after a few minutes of gut-retching sobs.

So, I'm contemplating whether or not I can handle talking to anyone. I start crying again. I hate crying. I feel so weak and helpless when I do. I could get through this.

I'm going to wait for my mom

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Faculty Profile: Dr. *Carol Seaborn*

by Alissa Bergstrom
Student Life Reporter

Walking into Dr. Carol Seaborn's office is like being invited into a private home study.

Numerous books, plants, and pictures of her husband and students adorn her walls. Seaborn's devotion to teaching is demonstrated by her passion for her students. "My students are my family," she said.

Originally from Muleshoe, Texas Seaborn obtained her Ph.D. in Nutrition at Oklahoma State University and became an R.D. (registered dietitian) in 1988. Moving from Texas to Grand Forks, North Dakota, she expected to be involved indefinitely in vitamin and trace element research on rats. Instead, she accepted a job as a professor here at UW-Stout.

Currently Seaborn is the program director for Dietetics as well as a professor. Some of her responsibilities include curriculum development, teaching, student advisement, and research projects. She admits that being a program director has been her most difficult job ever, yet most rewarding.

"It is my number one goal to each day help one student, even if that is only in a small way."

Many students agree that Seaborn has played an integral role in their decisions to pursue a career in dietetics. Dietetic student Judy Buechner said of Seaborn, "She offers great advice. Her insight has given me the opportunity to gain direction." Teaching by example is a key factor in students' opinions of Seaborn.

Her involvement in multiple organizations is likewise expected from her students. "One of my goals is to promote scholarly activity and help students get involved at a graduate and undergraduate level. It is my ambition to improve instruction and evaluation processes and opportunities, to promote student growth." Seaborn's qualifications as well as her aspirations inspire each one of her students.

In her career she has produced a video for the ADA on vitamins, minerals, and women's health. She is also the internal V.P. for WAAFCS (Wisconsin American Association of Family Consumer Sciences) and is responsible for presenting research papers to the ADA.

Seaborn's current involvement in academics and research provides her with an abundant work load. Whether performing research on rats or dressing up like one on Halloween, Seaborn's multifaceted personality continues to shine.

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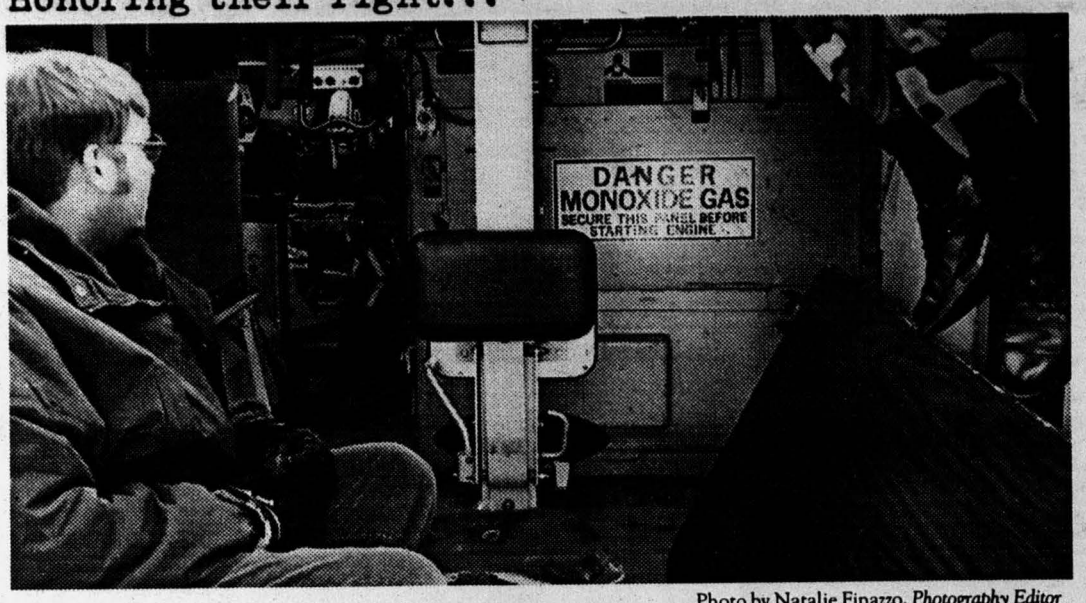


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In honor of Veteran's Day, UW-Stout students had the opportunity to tour the tanks that were located on campus. Brought here by the Veteran's Association, the two tanks were located by the LLC and the Memorial Student Center.

Chloe

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to call back, I decide. So, I'm waiting for the phone to ring. Of course, in my mind memories played of the first time Bailey sat when I said, "sit," or of him jumping across the room, ears flopping. I remembered how he could never quite figure out how to jump onto couches and chairs. Instead, his butt and legs were hanging in mid-air. I remembered when I first got him, he was scared of the wood floors. He would just sit and cry on the few rugs we did have. As I was reminissing, I started humming the tune to, *I Will Remember You* by Sarah McLachlan. All the memories, and now he's gone.

The phone rings. At my mom's voice, I start crying again.

"Chloe, just give me the number to your landlord's business," she states. She must have known I was in no shape to argue anything.

"What are you going to say?" I asked.

"Just let me take care of it," she replied.

"Okay, but remember to mention that I'm a good tenant. Oh, and that I fought for the dog. Don't forget to say that I'll make sure everything is cleaned up really well. And be nice."

"Chloe, enough. I'll call you back in a few minutes."

In less than five minutes and 500 tears she called back. She informed me that I could keep the dog and everything was cleared up. We talked about what she said and I asked, "Mom, you really would have taken Bailey if I couldn't have kept him?"

"Of course; what else would you have done?"

"Well, I started making signs to hang in the streets," I replied.

So, mom saved the day. I was going to get her a thank you card but I thought she would prefer a public announcement. Mom, you're the best. If I ever get into a bar fight, I will know who to call. About cleaning my room...think she will hold me to that?

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Alissa Bergstrom

Instead of curling up to read a book this weekend, check out the University play.

Beginning Thursday, Nov. 13 and running until Monday, Nov. 16, the University Theatre will present David Ives' "All in the Timing.'

Under the direction of Dr. James-Michael Miller, 20 student actors will perform Ives' series of eight comedic plays, each lasting 10 to 15 minutes.

The plays range from "Sure Thing," which is comparable to the successful Bill Murray film *Groundhog Day* to "Words, Words, Words," which takes its title from a line in Shakespeare's "Hamlet."

The grand finale pays homage to award-winning playwright David Manet by performing condensed versions of four of his plays - "American Buffalo," "Speed the Plow," "Sexual Perversity in Chicago," and "Glengarry Glen Ross."

Cast members talk exuberantly about this weekends performance.

"Doc [Dr. Miller] really goes out of his way to find plays that others don't. Plus this is my fifth year acting for the University Theatre, and it is a rarity that we present a comedy. I am totally pumped for this performance," cast member Mike Brenholt said.

Observing one of the rehearsals, it's obvious that the cast is a close-knit group of student actors. In fact, one ambitious actor, Bryan Barts, has actively been pursuing the restoration of the campus fraternity Phi Sigma Chi.

If you are interested in finding out more about this fraternity, an

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Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Bryan Barts (left) and Mike Brenholt will be appearing in this weekends opening of the University Theatre production of "All in the Timing," being rehersed behind them. The production is a cast favorite, consisting of eight comic skits. Tickets can be obtained by stopping by the Service Desk in the Memorial Student Center or calling them at 232-1431.

60s sitcom receives 90s spin in *Pleasantville*



Photo courtesy of New Line Cinema

Toby Maguire, transported into his favorite 60s sitcom, gives makeover help to Joan Allen in this scene of the recent release from New Line Cinema, *Pleasantville*. The film revolves around the concept of freedom of choice and can be viewed at Eau Claire's Oakwood Cinema.

Yes, it's *Pleasantville*! The long awaited movie from the successful screenwriter, David Ross (*Big* and *Dave*). But this time Ross gets to try his hand at directing his own work.

The simple plot of this film is simple and revolves around two teenage twin siblings, David and Jennifer Wagner (portrayed by Toby Maguire and Reese Witherspoon). David is the T.V. addicted average Joe, while his sister Jennifer is little Miss Popular, while maintaining her title of town super slut.

After the siblings break the T.V. remote in a fight, a fairy godfather T.V. repairman (Don Knotts) brings them a magical remote control that ends up zapping them both into David's favorite 50s T.V. show, "Pleasantville."

David and Jennifer are then forced to play the fictional roles of Bud and Mary Sue Parker until the T.V. repairman decides to bring them back to the real world.

As the movie plays on, the characters begin to introduce the people of Pleasantville to freedom of choice, and color begins to seep into



their black-and-white world.

This movie, like *What Dreams May Come*, has some stunning visual effects. The blending of black and white with color should definitely catch your eye, unless colorblindness runs in your family. If this is the case, catchy 60s phrases such as, "Want a marshmallow rice square? They're keen!" should be sure to please.

Everyone should find something they enjoy in this movie.

It's screenwriter Ross' first attempt at directing his own work, so of course the movie is going to have a few glitches. Yet the only problem I found was the film's lack of plot conflict.

The minute the characters got into a jam, they would quickly find a resolution and move on in a neat "Leave it to Beaver" fashion. This leaves the film almost too pleasant at times. Overall, it's a wonderful movie that had a story line that reminded me of *The Truman Show*.

The show is nicely acted by a not-so-well-known cast, and shows Ross' potential as both a writer and a director. I think he captured the movie best when saying, "It shows how hard change can be, even if it's essential to really feeling alive." So true David, so true.

So I'm giving *Pleasantville* a four, for its lack of plot conflict, and overall pleasant feeling.

If you have the transportation to get to Eau Claire, I would highly suggest checking it out.
That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.

Horoscopes



For the week of Nov. 12, 1998 through Nov. 19, 1998

by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Good day to review what you know about hamsters. Experiment to see how much food you can pack in your cheeks when dining out.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) A new love affair will have you all misty-eyed. Either that or it's the first stages of glaucoma, in which case you should seek medical attention immediately.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) For some odd reason, the smell of stale sauerkraut will linger with you for the rest of the day. You'll be avoided by many.



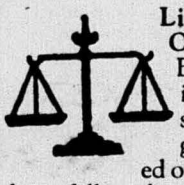
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Little Timmy is going to get trapped in the well again today. Lassie will be too busy taking a crap in the bushes to notice Timmy's gone.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You will rest peacefully and sink into a strange dream. In the dream, you will be playing an odd game of soccer with huge clear balloons, and people who are dressed in white attire will be cheering from the sidelines. Don't go into the light. The extra point isn't worth it.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Two people near you will engage in a serious, violent rubber-band war. You will get caught fleeing the premises and consequently "thwapped." But you'll only have to wear the eye patch for five months.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Basil will be featured in your lunch cuisine today. You will get extremely excited over this and then shamefully realize you have a dreadful, boring life.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Negative influence this week will lower your confidence, shred your self-security, and make you realize that in this life you are completely alone. The world will spin and the skies will slowly turn grey. Life will have no meaning. And then the lecture will end.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Stop being such a bum. Brush the Dorito crumbs from last week off your shirt and do something for once. It doesn't have to be much, considering the last thing you felt was "productive" was restocking the beer fridge.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Run away really fast.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Take over an ant hill today. Appoint yourself the landlord, overcharge their rent, and refuse to fix any of their tunnels.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) It's a good day to learn to laugh at yourself. It's a necessary skill that everyone should acquire. Practice by throwing yourself down a staircase and have your roommate tape it or jump in front of moving traffic. All these ideas provide good clean entertainment and ongoing laughter.

Theatre/Opening this weekend,

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informational meeting will be held in the Harvey Hall Theatre on Monday, Nov. 23 at 7p.m.

Hoping to pack all 650 theatre seats at each performance, Barts said, "We want people to appreciate the theatre and know that it is here." The cast has been practicing 15 to 20 hours weekly for the past two months. Barts sums it up by saying, "It's been hard work, but most of all we have had fun, and I think it will show in our performances."

The weekend performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 13, 14, and 16 with a 2:00 p.m. show on Sunday, Nov. 15.

Tickets can be purchased at the Memorial Student Center Service Desk for $4, or at the Harvey Hall lobby box office for $5 one hour prior to each performance.

Theatergoers are advised that this performance contains adult language and may be inappropriate for children under age 13.

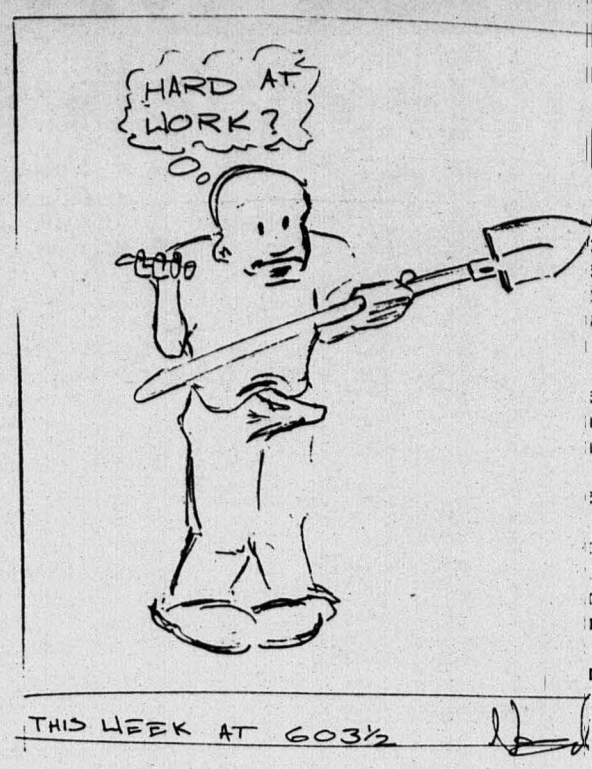
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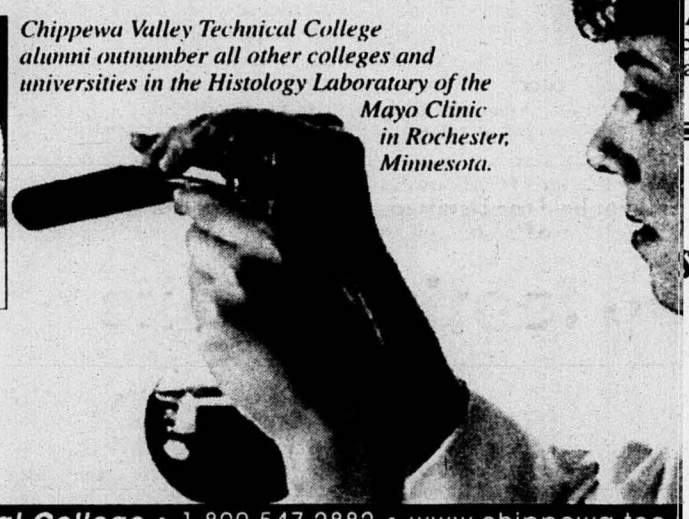
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Pointers come back to bury Blue Devils

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The UW-Stout Football Team was the victim of a 55-point second half barrage as the Blue Devils fell to conference leader UW-Stevens Point, 62-34, Saturday at Nelson Field.

Stout scored first as freshmen Aaron Johnson tumbled in from two yards out for a touchdown and a 7-0 lead. The Blue Devils controlled the game and a 21-0 lead in the first half and led at the half by a score of 21-7.

"Stevens Point has a solid defense and they are a very physical defensive team," said Head Coach Ed Meierkort. "Offensively we can play with anybody, we just can't turn the ball over," said Meierkort of his team's offense, who were putting up points at will against what is arguably the best defense in the conference.

The second half began with more of the same from the Blue Devil offense as quarterback Matt Bunyan connected with Jesse Diaz less than a minute into the second half, giving Stout a 28-7 lead. "We had a chance to put them away and we didn't," said Meierkort.

From this point on, the game was completely dominated by the Pointers. After returning the ensuing kickoff back 88 yards for a touchdown, Stevens Point held the Devils to three plays and blocked a punt, which was recovered in the end zone for another score.

Just minutes later, the Devils coughed up the ball which led to a nine-yard scoring strike from Ryan Aullenbacher to Wade Ullsperger to tie the game at 28-28 with over 11 minutes of action left in the third quarter.

The Pointers proceeded to pound the ball at the Blue Devil front-line. Stevens Point scored once more in the third quarter on a six-yard pass play as Aullenbacher and Ullsperger hooked up again, giving the lead to the Pointers for good.

Stevens Point then erupted for four touchdowns in the fourth period, including two defensive scores, one a Bunyan interception which was returned 97 yards. "They scored 28 points without offense," said Meierkort of the outcome of the game.

"We're just not making enough plays defensively," said Meierkort. "We aren't a good running defense, and we couldn't afford to lose a starting defensive tackle. Defensively we've just got to get better," he said.

On a brighter note, during the game Shawn Lund became the single season touchdowns reception leader with his tenth of the year.

The Devils will close out their season at Platteville this weekend.

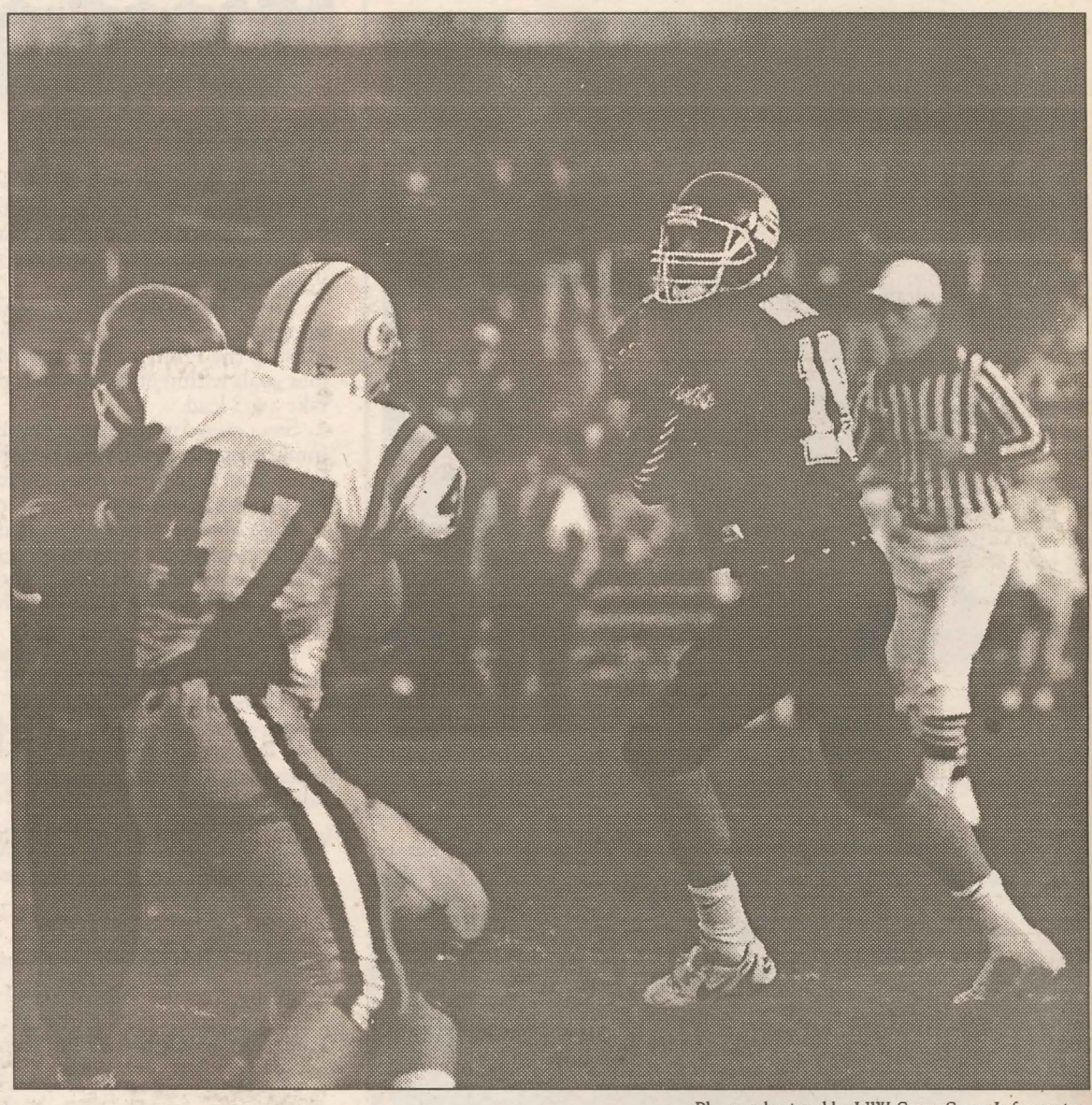


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Despite leading the Blue Devils through a 21-7 first half romp of Stevens Point, Matt Bunyan could only do so much to keep Stout's offense out in front. Of the team's 469 total yards, Bunyan was responsible for 457. However, the fourth quarter proved fatal as a Bunyan interception was returned 97 yards for the final insult in a 62-34 defeat.

Flag football seeks national fame

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

An intramural flag football team from Stout spent two of its last four weekends participating in regional flag football tournaments.

Sponsored by Nike and Cinnaburst Gum, these regional flag football tournaments are held on selected college campuses nationwide. Stout sends its flag football champions to the regional tournament at Eau Claire each year. The prize for the victors from the men's, women's, and co-ed divisions is a trip to the National Tournament in New Orleans over the New Year holiday.

This year's Men's champs, calling themselves Fourth and One, participated in the Eau Claire regional tournament on Oct. 14 and 15.

After mounting a 2-1 record on Saturday,Fourth and One advanced to the quarter-finals Sunday where they took on Eau Claire's intramural champion, Moldy Bagels. The game was all anyone could ask for and more. Tied at 12 with only three seconds left and the ball in Stout's possession, a last second pitch was intercepted and eventually run back for the winning score. "In a split second our tournament was done," said Birrittieri of the nearly incomprehensable finish.

"Our defense was great the whole tournament," said Blue Devil Tony Birrittieri of the team's defensive efforts, which yielded only 43 total points while the offense scored a whopping 140.

Unsatisfied with the disappointing finish at Eau Claire, Birrittieri and company decided on giving it one more go-around.

This past weekend, the team went road tripping to Lincoln, Nebraska with hopes of winning the University of Nebraska's regional tournament and clinching a birth in the national tournament.

The Blue Devils were paired against the University of Nebraska's intramural flag football champs in the first round of the tournament. Stout jumped all over Nebraska early, taking over on the first two possessions for scores and taking a 13-0 lead into half-time.

The second half was a different story for the Blue Devils. A Birrittieri pass was tipped straight up in the air and into the arms of a Nebraska Delts defender. A tipped pass also resulted in a touchdown for the Nebraska squad which left the game tied and heading into overtime.

Unable to score from the 10-yard line, the Blue Devils stuffed Nebraska's first three attempts before a 10 yard fade to the corner of the end zone downed the Blue Devils in overtime.

Stout was eliminated from the tourney in their second game as they battled rain, snow, wind, and ankle deep mud.

Participants in the two tournaments included Tony Birrittieri, Dave Vistain, Shawn Fonder, Nick Reynolds, Jeremy Creuger, Travis Lens, Randy Berg, Jason Anderson, Troy Werline, Melvin Sheppard, Mark Ruska, Mike Nackers, Steve Darrey, and Joe Tilton.

The team enjoyed themselves so much that plans for next year's tournaments are already in the works.

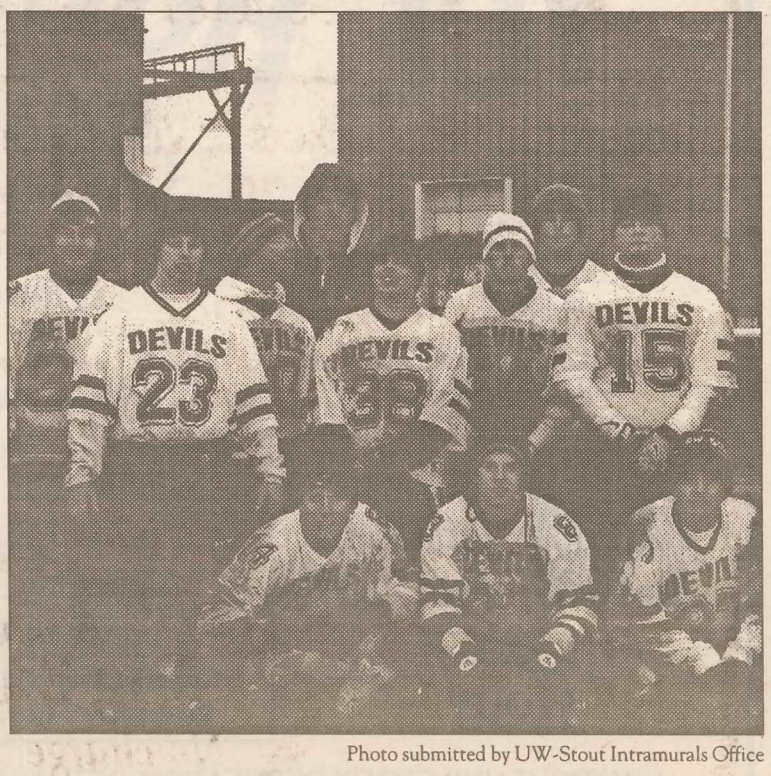


Photo submitted by UW-Stout Intramurals Office

UW-Stout's Flag Football Club was enthusiastic despite "Mud Bowl" conditions at the regional tournament in Nebraska.

Team volleys to host nationals

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

San Diego, St. Louis, Stout. What do all three of these locales have in common? Besides the letter S, the defining characteristic that all three places share, along with 61 other candidates, is that all are potential hosts for the Division III National Women's Volleyball Championships.

The official site is yet to be announced but the championships will be held, schedule permitting, on the home turf of the number one seeded team in the nation. This ranking will be decided through a series of tournaments to be held this and next weekend.

Currently there are 64 teams across the nation that are still vying for a spot in the championship tournament, which is to be held on the weekend of Dec. 4 and 5. However the next three weeks represent a grueling schedule for any team who still has aspirations of greatness.

Among these competitors is the UW-Stout Women's Volleyball Team who will begin their assent this Thursday, with a match against Elmhurst in the regional finals to be held at Whitewater. After the regional finals the field will be reduced to eight teams for the quarter final tourney, and eventually four victors will emerge to compete in the championship tournament.

Currently, Stout is rated 5th in the region, and is among the top 64 teams in the nation, not necessarily impressive until you consider that five times as many teams registered for this season, bringing the total to over 300 competitors nationwide.

Coach Jill Jolliff has high hopes for the upcoming event, but stresses that championships are won match by match, and the most important game of the season is the one they have to play next. She believes her team can beat Elmhurst, but is quick to add that they can beat any team, as long as they can take it to the next level.

The Blue Devils need to bring their play up three or four notches from last week if they want to stay in contention. When asked if this is feasible, Jolliff replied, "We're playing with the big dogs now; if we want to win we have to step it up." These are brave words spoken from a position of confidence among a team ready to prove itself on the national level.

The biggest stumbling block between Stout and success in the quarter-finals will be the host of the regional tournament, UW-Whitewater. Having been unable to reign victorious twice before, Stout is banking on a third time's the charm method of attack.

Beyond that, Coach Jolliff says that it's important to play each game as it happens. As much as they need to keep an eye on the future, they need to remember that to make it happen they have to focus on the games as they are played.

Regardless of the final turnout, the Blue Devils have, at the very least, etched out a name for themselves on a local level and are sure to make a respectable showing in the games to come. Overall, fans must remember that championships are the result of competition, but it's the spirit of sportsmanship and the support that the team fosters that creates true winners.

Blue Devil Hockey

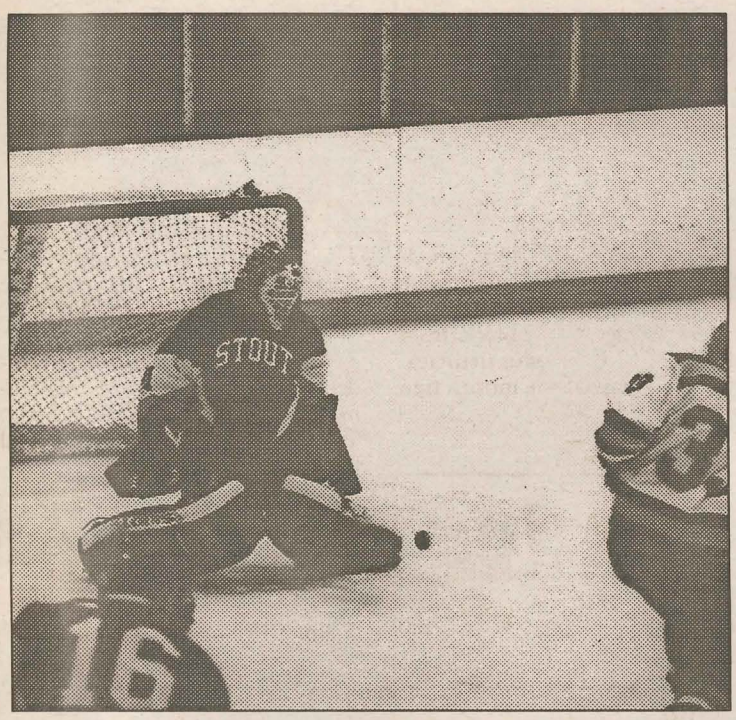


Photo submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Ben Plester braces himself to stop a Stevens Point attempt in what would eventually lead to a 6-3 Blue Devil loss. Plester was able to stop 25 shots on goal.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Hockey

Nov. 6

After trading goals in the first period, UW-Stevens Point exploded with four goals in the second period, but had to hold off the Blue Devils for a 9-7 win at Stevens Point.

The Blue Devils took a 3-2 lead into the second period, but couldn't stop the Pointers who scored four goals within eight minutes to take a 6-3 lead.

Stout wasted no time getting back into the match in the third period when Tom Schaffner scored three minutes into the period.

Luke Murray scored his second goal of the night two minutes later as Stout cut the deficit to 6-5. The Pointers added another goal to stretch the lead to 7-5.

Kevin Aube tied the score, getting two power play goals at the10- and 11-minute marks.

Stevens Point gained an 8-7 lead with five minutes remaining and sealed the win with a goal in the final minute.

Stevens Point outshot the Blue Devils, 39-35. Also scoring for Stout were Graham Lomen and Matt Gehr.

Nov. 7

UW-Stevens Point scored four goals in the first period and went on to take a 6-3 win over UW-Stout Saturday at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

Stout put points on the board midway through the second period when R.J. Schreifer and Graham Lomen scored goals within a minute of each other.

The Pointers increased their cushion two minutes later with a goal at the 12:13 mark.

Stout came back four minutes into the final period when Andy Anderson scored. The Pointers' Ben Gorewich scored midway through the period to complete the scoring.

The Blue Devils outshot the Pointers, 32-31, with Pointer goalie Tony Bergeron turning away 29 shots, while Stout freshman goalie Ben Plester stopped 25.

Neither team was successful in nine power play attempts, although Schriefer's goal came when Stout was short handed.

Stout turns to non-conference action this week when they host Gustavus Adolphus, Friday at 7:30 p.m. As always, home games are played at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

Men's Basketball

The UW-Stout Men's Basketball Team were scheduled to play an exhibition game Thursday with the Supersonics Basketball Club of West Africa, but due to unrest in the country, the team's tour has been cancelled.

Instead, the Men's and Women's Basketball Teams will conduct intrasquad games beginning at 7 p.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse on Thursday. The teams will alternate and play 12-minute halves, with the Women's Team tipping off first. During the intermissions, door prizes will be given out. No admission will be charged.

Women's Soccer

UW-Stout's only Women's Soccer coach was named the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Soccer Coach of the Year.

Lisa Petruccelli, who came to Stout in 1995 to set up the Women's Varsity Soccer program, received the honor Sunday, Nov. 1, after the finals of the WIAC Championships at River Falls.

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SSA Voice

What Does Stout Student Association Executives do for the students?



President Tyler x2100
I think that as a president it is my job to represent the entire student body locally, statewide and nationally on all issues related to students and student fee autonomy.



Vice-President Dodd x2100
I am another strong voice for the student body.



Director of Academic Affairs, Benjamin J. Garvens x2100
I deal with questions pertaining to academic problems and questions.



Director of Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs, Jason Zweifel x1028
I help students out with landlord problems.

Director of Organizational Affairs, Ken Her x1028
I am responsible for all SSA business and I do the organization, recognition process for all stout students organizations.



Director of Legislative Affairs, Colleen Becker x1769
I work as a liaison between the students and the legislators. To inform students about current legislation that affects you so you can voice your opinions.



Director of Diversity, Tracy Benson x1028
I bring diversity programming to campus. Stout students, faculty, and staff need to be tolerant of people of all diverse back grounds.



Director of Financial Affairs, Josh Johnson x1769
I do anything I want to do, but mostly, I deal with students dollars.



From the Director of Organizational Affairs...

Ken Her, *Organizational Affairs Director*

There was a memo last week to all those organizations who did not complete their organization recognition paperwork. If your organization doesn't respond and complete all the requirements paperwork before the end of this semester, your organization will be no longer considered as a recognized organization at Stout. In such the case, your organization will not be able to reserve and/or use Stout facilities to hold events or activities as you have planned. For those funded organizations, you will lose you funding. In other words, you won't be able to use your money at all for the rest of the 1998-99 school year.

If there is any question, please contact me at ext. 1028 or call Mary McManus at ext. 2503.

From the Director of Academic Affairs...

Hey, how ya doing? My name is Benjamin J. Garvens, I am the new Academic Affairs Director. I'm a Junior. here at Stout. I was a senator for one year, and caucus leader for the past quarter. Currently I'm working on a proposal to send to the Governor and the Department of Administration that would be in support of full funding (roughly four million) for the UW System advising initiative. In short this means the governor will put money aside in his budget to give to the UW system for training of teacher and faculty on better student advising. Better student advising reduces time and credits to a degree, and improves options of transfer. I am in full support of this initiative and will give it my full support. I am also responsible for helping student with academic related question, and filling out academic complaint forms. It is a pleasure working for and with you, if you have any questions for me please stop by or call. x- 1769
Garvensb@post.uwstout.edu

Director of Academic Affairs
Benjamin J. Garvens

From the Director of Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs...

In February I will be holding the annual Housing Fair at Stout. Look for more details to come in the following weeks. I will be working soon with Jason Hammerberg on a web-page for L/T/C. There will be lots of information for tenant's to know about.

The public relations committee for the Chamber of Commerce is looking for a student from UW-Stout to be on their committee. They meet once a month. Usually the third week of the month. Fridays at 7:30 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce Office by the Menomonie public library. If you are interested in being on this committee stop into the SSA office or call x-2100. You will also have to report to Senate meetings on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. to inform SSA about what is happening on this committee.

Thanks,
Jason Zweifel
Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs Director

From the SSA Legislative Director...

Thanks to all those who went to the polls and voiced their opinions last week!
The Legislative Affairs committee will now be focusing on a Tuition Freeze and Community Out-Reach campaign. The committee will be meeting Mondays at 2:30pm in the SSA office.
The next United Council general assembly is November 20-21 at UW-River Falls, there are committees for everyone so if you are interested in attending please contact me in the SSA office at 232-1769 or by email: beckerco@post.uwstout.edu. Feel free to stop by anytime if you have questions or concerns, my office hours are posted at the SOC desk.

From the Director of Diversity...

Diversity Report
The Credentials Initiative motion that I mentioned last time was not passed by the senate. This was very disappointing for me, however, there is hope. Senate has written a revised version of the initiative. It would entail four diversity representative, on non-traditional student representative, and one graduate students representative. This motion is a good compromise of both sides and is well supported by both my committee and myself.

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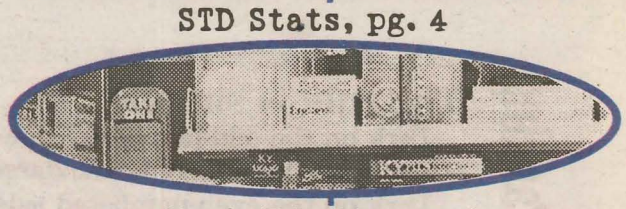
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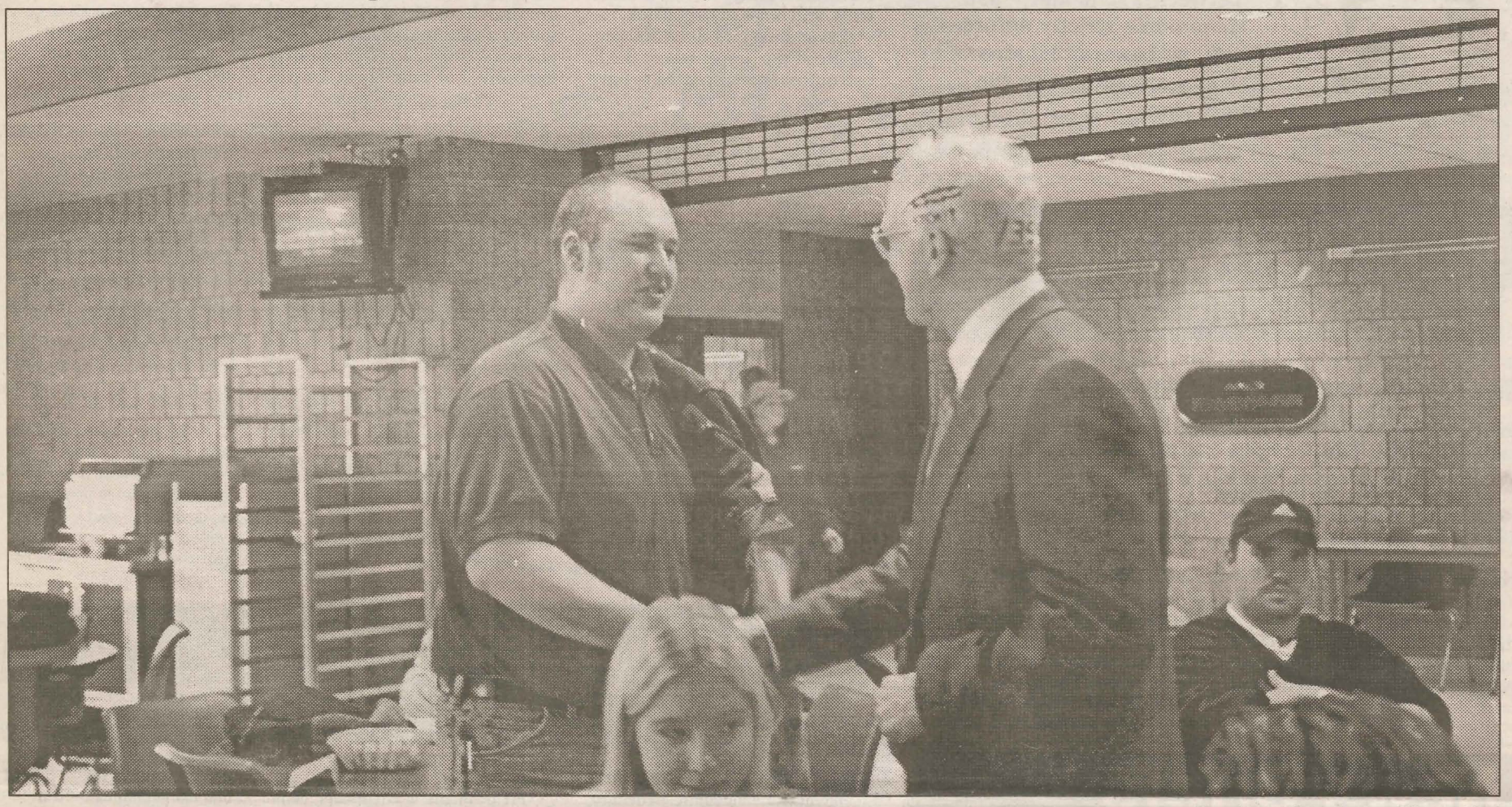


Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

Chancellor Sorensen used his head Friday to increase freshman enrollment. In a bet with Cynthia Jenkins, head of admissions, Sorensen said the university could not meet their goal of 1,300 new students this year, and lost. The final number, painted in blue on the back of his head, was 1,359. Blue and pink spikes atop his head, as well as the Stout logo on the sides, enticed curious chuckles from students in the Terrace. Sorensen walked through the campus and Student Center on his way from a press conference that attracted area media for the event. Fortunately for him, the color was temporary hair mascara.

On-line registration in year 2000

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

Of the 13 UW System universities, UW-Stout is one of only three schools that does not offer an alternate means of registration.

Universities such as UW-Oshkosh offer on-line, touch-tone, and in-person forms of registration. In addition to these, other universities have systems in place that also utilize interactive programs.

Students at Stout have heard rumors for years that alternative registration methods like on-line service were on the way, but Stout currently only offers in-person registration.

According to Robert Chiodo, director of information and operation systems for the Administrative Computer Center, the delay is due to a new software package created by Datatel Inc. that is being implemented at Stout.

The new Datatel package will handle all business transactions for the school including areas such as human resources, accounting,

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Phone directory arrival date is still a mystery

by Rachel McGuire
Staff Reporter

Students and faculty alike are beginning to question whether the campus directory, long overdue, will ever arrive. Well the good news is that the university was told the campus phone book finally arrived at Stout on Monday, Nov. 16. The bad news is that it never happened.

By last year's standards, the phone book is already a month late.

According to the Service Desk of the Memorial Student Center, this is no surprise. Tentative dates have been set and passed for over a month.

"Many students have been asking us when the phone book will be here. We were told that it was going to be here two weeks ago, but it's still not here," Jill Opelt, a worker at the Service Desk, said.

Besides answering questions about the arrival of the information directory, the Service Desk has kept busy giving out student and faculty numbers over the phone. They have had the sole copy of the new directory which was given to them some time ago.

With a lot of reconstruction occurring in the administration, students have had the difficult task of figuring out exactly who they should contact for their educational concerns.

Campus Publisher puts together Stout's campus directory each year free of charge to the university, in exchange for their placement of all ads in the book. It is their end of the deal that has delayed delivery to the final destination - Ripon Printing in Wisconsin.

Student frustration is obvious. "I just changed my major and at first had some difficulty contacting my advisor," Angie Musgjerd, sophomore in Graphic Communication Management, said. "I pretty much just had to track him down myself in order to get what I needed." Although Musgjerd was fortunate enough to get a hold of her advisor, some students haven't been as lucky.

Monica Cariveau, a sophomore, had difficulty reaching students for a ride home. "I wanted to go home last weekend and tried contacting some people from my home town, but I was unable to get a hold of them because I wasn't sure of their phone numbers - it was really confusing!"

All students who live on campus, as well as faculty, should look for the directories in their mailboxes.

For off-campus students, the directory can be picked up at the Service Desk when the shipment arrives.

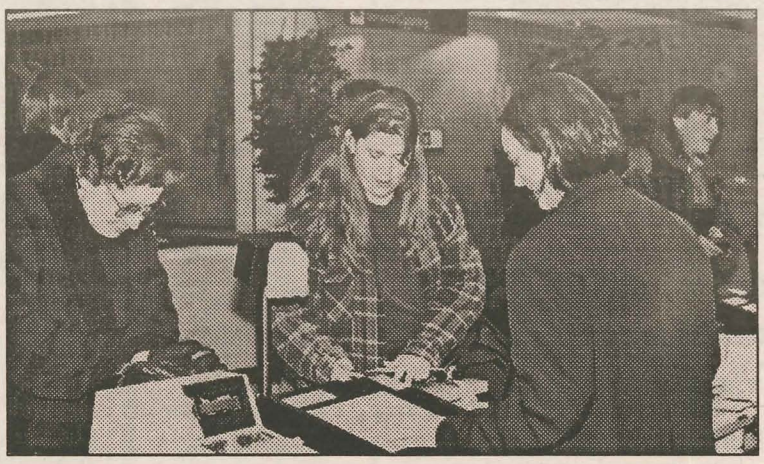


Photo by Lisa Harris, *Staff Photographer*

Service Desk employees must field calls throughout the day for current student and faculty phone numbers, as they are the only ones with an updated campus directory. University officials expected the books Monday, but as of Wednesday evening, none had arrived.

Church potluck causes E.coli scare

by Carol Patterson
Menomonie News Bureau

Meatballs and coleslaw left over from a church meal are to be tested at a state laboratory in Madison as health officials try to determine the origin of an E. coli outbreak in Menomonie.

Results of the tests on the food won't be available until next week, said Dunn County Health Department Director Karen Levandoski.

At least seven cases of E. coli bacterial infection have been confirmed by the Dunn County Health Department, and six more cases are suspected from the dinner on Nov. 6.

Levandoski declined to release the name of the church.

A meatball supper was held at the United Methodist Church on Nov. 6, put on by the United Methodist Women for their Fall Fest fund-raiser.

The church pastor, Rev. Marilynn Rushton, declined to comment about the supper.

A member of the church who attended the supper and contracted

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Odd-Even Winter Parking

The rule is simple:

Park on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd-numbered calendared days.

Park on the even-numbered side of the street on even-numbered days.

All streets have odd/even sides that are determined by the house numbers. Houses with even numbers are considered to be on the even side of the street.



Parking restrictions are from Nov. 1 through April 1, between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. Menomonie strictly enforces these, so beware. All streets in the city are subject to the restrictions.

Potluck/bad meatballs

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E. coli declined to comment because officials haven't confirmed the meal was the source of the outbreak.

Another church member and supper attendant, who asked not to be identified, said the meal did not affect her or others with which she attended the supper.

"I helped serve the meal, but I didn't prepare any of the food," the church member said.

"I went with four friends, and we all ate lots of food, lots of meatballs, and none of us got sick."

Levandoski said about 200 people ate at the supper where the E. coli outbreak is suspected to have originated, and 40 to 45 different kinds of food were served.

Ages of all the confirmed and suspected cases ranged from the late 50s to 80s; all are from the Menomonie area. Four of the patients were treated for dehydration at Myrtle Werth Hospital.

The Health Department became aware of the situation after people with symptoms of E. coli went to the hospital last Thursday.

Symptoms of the strain of E. coli are diarrhea, often bloody, and severe abdominal cramping, usually occurring 12 to 60 hours after exposure, but possibly as long as eight days after exposure, Levandoski said.

"It seems that the people that are hardest hit by this type of E. coli bacteria are the really young and older folks," she said.

"It is really fortunate that none of these people became critically ill."

Health officials recommend people avoid eating raw or undercooked beef or chicken, as well as unpasteurized milk or apple juice. People should wash their hands before and after preparing food after using the bathroom.

Wisconsin last year had 159 confirmed cases of E. coli O157:H7, the same strain that caused the Menomonie outbreak.

Carol Patterson can be reached at 235-9018.

On-line/hopeful future

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general ledger, financial aid, accounts receivable, and registration. It is through this system that both on-line and touch-tone registration will run.

According to UW-Stout registrar Charlie Kell, Stout anticipates having on-line registration running by fall semester 1999 and touch-tone by the spring of 2000.

The Datatel system was chosen for Stout because it is a single database that all departments will be able to use effectively since they are all linked to each other.

Implementation of the system has been ongoing since 1995. A four-person implementation team including Linda Champion, Nancy Ninas, Jeff Kirschling, and Rick Olson have been working half days since June of this year in testing the system.

"You don't turn these types of systems [on] overnight," stated Chiodo. "You've got to be very careful."

Stout felt the need to switch to this program because of the upcoming year 2000 dilemma. The old IBM Legacy system the campus currently uses is not year 2000 compatible, whereas the new Datatel system will be.

According to Chiodo, touch-tone registration is a primary project after installation is complete.

"Had we known how long it would take to implement, we would have implemented touch-tone registration first," said Kell.

Other campuses are at various stages of implementing systems like Datatel. Their touch-tone registration is linked to their old systems.

"The important thing to understand is that Stout is the first to completely connect their administrative system to a more sophisticated one," said Chiodo. "We've taken a lead in terms of this approach."

University Notes

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from submitted news releases

Ping-pong tournament

HSSO is hosting a ping-pong tournament on Dec. 3 at 6-8 p.m. in the Great Hall. First place prize is $50. Registration is on Dec. 2 at 6-7 p.m. in the Northwoods Room of the MSC. There are only 20 spots available, so sign up now!

Holiday concert

UW-Stout will be hosting a holiday concert on Dec. 6 at 6 p.m. in the Great Hall. The concert will feature Symphonic Singers, University Choir, Vocal Jazz, Concert Band, Jazz Combo, and Jazz Band.

Community service program

If anyone has an older or outdated computer and would like to donate it to local underprivileged children, Integrated Services Programs of Dunn County can arrange for a pick-up. Contact Mary Ann Kruchten at 235-2475.

New Winterim offering

A new course will be offered this winter concerning strategic management of technology and innovation in newly created, as well as, established firms. The course number is 160-520 and is three credit hours.

News Briefs

Compiled by Nicole Beckmann

Tobacco deal grows

Idaho and Ohio have expressed their support for the $206 billion tobacco deal, raising the number of states to 16 who are planning to agree with the largest U.S. civil settlement ever. Thirty more states must decide by Friday whether to sign the settlement or sue tobacco companies themselves for smoking related health care costs.

GOP unseatings

Washington - Oklahoma's J.C. Watts, the only black Republican in the House, became chairman of the party conference Wednesday on a 121-93 vote. Bob Livingston replaced Newt Gingrich as speaker.

Record executions

Huntsville, Texas - Texas put to death its 17th inmate this year when Kenneth McDuff was injected Tuesday for a 1992 abduction, rape, and murder. Meanwhile, Virginia executed its 12th inmate of the year by lethal ejection on Tuesday for similar crimes. The two states lead the nation in executions this year.

College costs rise while grants decline

Boston - The cost of college rose as available federal grant money dwindled, putting college out of reach for many low-income American families. Pell grants, a large federal source for low-income students, provide half of what they did 20 years ago.

Police Beat

Compiled by Mike Steinke from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Stout property vandalism

A report was made Monday, Nov. 9, of damages to both locker rooms in the Fieldhouse. Windows were broken in each of the men's and women's locker rooms. In addition, a shower head had been broken off in the women's locker room. There are no known suspects as of yet.

Theft

On Wednesday, Nov. 11, between the hours of 10 and 11, a purse was stolen from a room in fourth floor Harvey Hall. When the woman returned to the restroom, the purse was gone. No one had permission to take the purse.

Fire

At 8:44 on Wednesday, Nov. 11, the Menomonie Fire Department responded to a fire call at the Education Human Services building. The fire was in the refuse garbage container. The firefighters used fire extinguishers to put it out. There are no witnesses or suspects in this case.

Strange odor

On Nov. 13, campus police responded to a possible controlled substance or smoking complaint in South Hall. Upon arriving, the officers knocked on the door, and after no answer, proceeded to enter through the unlocked door. The officers found a heavy film of smoke, but no physical evidence of controlled substances was found. Police exited the room, locking it, and then gave responsibility to the hall director.

Confrontation

On Sunday, Nov. 15, police apprehended one suspect from a fight that occurred in the Subway parking lot. The suspects fled north. Three males were seen, but could not be apprehended.

Citations

For the week of Nov. 9-16, a total of seven citations were issued for underage alcohol consumption.

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Editorial

Newspapers' 101

The movers and shakers, the thinkers of our university, don't have the following concepts down. Hell, our own student government can't grasp them, so it stands to reason that most of the student body does not. Here are some facts that may change the way you think of us or how you approach our office in the future:

We are here for the UW-Stout campus and community, but in large part FOR THE STUDENTS. Sure, the opinions of administration and community members matter, but it is the students who make a difference in our newspaper.



THE STOUTONIA IS NOT THE UW-STOUT NEWSLETTER. We report the truth about campus events, not anyone's PR piece they'd like to throw in. If students could see the PR releases this university spits out, they'd be thankful we investigate rather than regurgitate information. WE INVESTIGATE.

WE ARE NOT THE UNIVERSITY FLYER EITHER. It is not our responsibility or mission to take all flyers on campus and publish them in the Stoutonia. That, presumably, is the point of the flyers themselves. But, we do cover campus events and the issues that many students face. Give your inheritance to the Stoutonia and maybe we can talk about that full-size, 30-page newspaper to cover every event.

WE SUPPORT JOURNALISM. This means we do not buckle to pressure from anyone - the Chancellor, the community, advertisers, SSA, anyone. If we think students want to know - we'll publish it within libel law guidelines. Case in point - a student recently came to our office asking that we not run his name in an article. He actually looked surprised when we pointed out that it doesn't work that way in newspapers. He arrogantly said our adviser would make us stop. No...So then he was determined that someone in administration would stop us. No, no, NO. Perhaps someone in administration would join him in bad-mouthing the Stoutonia, but they do not control us.

We are solely, and proudly, a COLLEGE publication. We cannot be compared to the Leader-Telegram, Star Tribune, or the *Star* magazine for that matter. Why not? Because we are astronomically different. The *Star* reaches millions and is easily accessible around the nation to an undefinable audience. College newspapers, on the other hand, have a small, 18 and older, and more open-minded audience. Its distribution overwhelmingly is to a well-defined audience - college students. Concerning last week's cover, yes, breasts and a penis were shown. So I ask, is anyone in this university not 18 or older? For anyone that dropped the issue on their coffee table and a youngster saw it, we're not exactly sure who's fault that would be.

WE ARE NOT OWNED BY SSA. We don't write whatever SSA wants us to. We support their efforts and think student government is the prime spot for revolution and change. Yes, we do receive some funding from SSA, just like most other recognized student organizations. But our newspaper is here mainly because of advertisers, so we can keep our unbiased perspective on things. There is no relationship between the two entities, other than we both care about the students. End of story.

College publications are the final bastion of true free speech. Think we take advantage of that? Check out college publications from around the country - we seem like the Homemakers USA magazine compared to most. But we are concerned about the fact that after graduation, we will be forced to read publications that don't give two shits who we are, fall to pressure from advertisers, write only what they think the audience wants to hear, and are solely a business, trying to make LOTS OF MONEY. Non-university publications are part of a conglomeration of businesses whose CEO's don't care about free speech or expression or any of that First Amendment bullshit, only about profit. Unfortunately, this does not just refer to large metro papers only - even the Dunn County News knows about being bought out.

Students: have an opinion or suggestion for the paper? Write us. We're sick of hearing from only the administration. For those students who have written, we applaud you.

Letters

Dear Editor,

As you know, last Tuesday, Nov. 3 was election day. When I turned 18 last year my parents and (fellow) peers told me that it was my civic duty to exercise my right to vote. Well, on Nov. 3 my friends and I did just that. The school did a very fine job of providing transportation to the north campus students. Kudos to you!

On the other hand, once we arrived to the courthouse, it was a scene of complete chaos. One of the volunteers there told us that we should ask our teachers to give us extra credit for voting.

And another thing, while waiting for my friends to finish voting, a woman from the community was complaining that the line was too long. The last thing she wanted to do after a long day at work was wait in line to vote. She also commented that us, the students, had all day to vote, so why did we choose now? Well we, the students, spend our day at school and many of us don't have time to walk to the courthouse, vote, and walk back in-between classes.

So to those who complain that the students don't care or participate in state and community events, maybe you should think again.

Jenny Laddusire

Dear Editor,

First, we would like to say that every week the Stoutonia seems to get less and less newsworthy. There are events and activities going on all the time on this campus. We know this because our office receives posters everyday on activities taking place on campus and in the area.

The Nov. 13, 1998 issue really takes the cake. We did not see the little sentence that said, "Contents inside may be offensive," but it does not matter, nothing inside was offensive. It was on the outside. We did not go and see the *art* display of body piercing because we don't particularly care to see nude pierced body parts.

It is understood that you have a right to print these pictures because of the First Amendment, but you should have had the decency to put the pictures on the inside, not on the outside! What you should have done was written an article about the upcoming display so that people who were interested in looking at that type of *art* could go and view it for themselves.

We do not have a problem with you reporting on the display, but feel the pictures should have been blurred. The *Star* and *Enquirer* do not even print pictures like that. Maybe you should take lessons from them. More and more the Stoutonia is starting to look like those magazines.

Robin Sweeny, Residence Life
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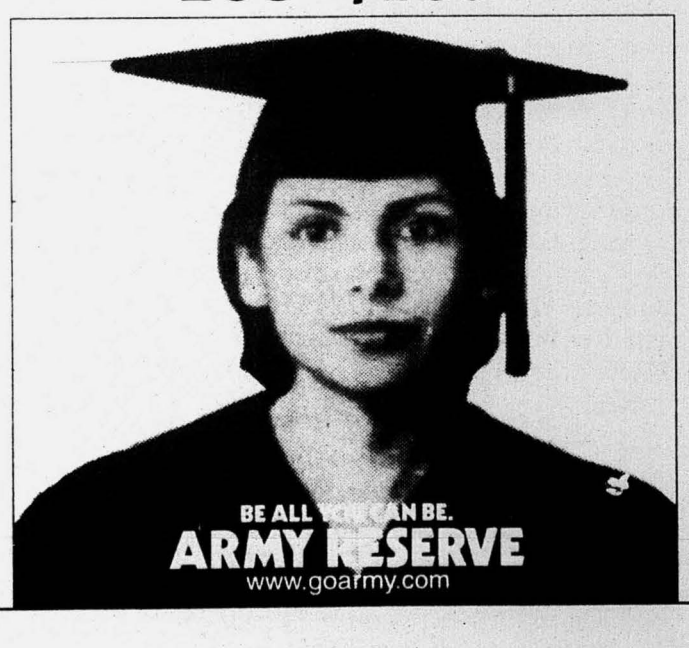
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Knowing the facts will help prevent the spread of STDs



Photo by Lisa Harris, *Staff Photographer*

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

Over 50 sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) are in existence. Some are bacterial and can be cured, while others are viral and stay for life.

According to Janice Raemaker, director of student health services, Chlamydia, Herpes, and Human Papilloma Virus (genital warts) are the most common STDs at UW-Stout.

Chlamydia is a bacterial infection that can be cured. Its testing has become standard in most yearly gynecological exams for women, therefore it is often diagnosed and cured quickly. If it is not detected early, it can lead to arthritis and inflammation of the testicles in men and Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID) in women. If not treated, Chlamydia can cause sterility and will be passed to unborn children.

Like other STDs, Chlamydia is contracted through intimate sexual contact or body fluids. Up to 75 percent of women and 25 percent of men show no symptoms. However, when symptoms are present, they can include painful urination or whitish discharge from the penis in men and itching, burning, pelvic pain, and a greenish discharge in women.

Herpes and genital warts are viral infections that can be medically treated but not cured. As a result, those who contract the diseases can be mentally devastated.

Herpes causes painful, blister-like sores that can appear at the point of contact including the penis, anus, vagina or mouth. One in six or more than 31 million Americans have Herpes. Other symptoms include swollen lymph glands, aching muscles, fever, and headaches. They usually appear two-21 days after contact with an infected person.

The Herpes virus is spread through direct contact and is highly contagious. Those with Herpes can infect other areas of their body if they touch infected fluid and then touch another part of their body, such as the eyes or mouth.

After sores are healed, it is still possible to spread the virus. When the virus multiplies, it is released from the skin in a process called shedding that is not always detectable, but still contagious.

Like Herpes, genital warts are a viral infection. Infection with HPV leads to growths (warts) that appear on the penis, vulva, vagina, cervix, in or around the anus or in the throat. The warts can be tiny, look like cauliflower or be flat. Warts are spread through oral, anal or vaginal sex and can appear a few weeks, months or years after contact.

Genital warts are often called a "silent" epidemic because there may be no initial symptoms. It may cause irritation or itch, but is often completely painless. Diagnosis is very important because the virus can spread quickly. Women with HPV have a high risk of cervical cancer and can pass the virus to their children.

Over 750,000 new cases of HPV are reported each year. Once a person is diagnosed, they can be treated with solution, gel or ointment and the warts can be frozen or burned off with a laser, electric needle or with an injectable treatment. This process is repeated each time the warts reappear.

Student Health Services offers confidential testing and treatment of each of these STDs and can assist affected students in contacting past sexual partners, if requested. To make an appointment, call the Student Health Center at x-1314.

Faculty Profile

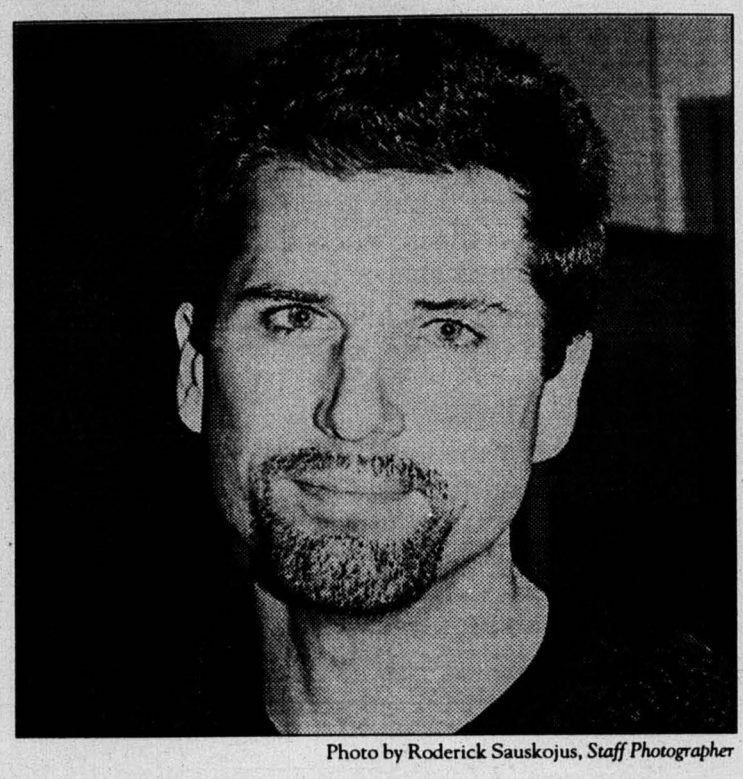


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by Alissa Bergstrom
Staff Reporter

"Hey Tim," students call out casually to Professor Timothy O'Keeffe.

His uniquely personal rapport with his students is evident. As students swarm his office, O' Keeffe smiles and says, "Just another day around here."

Although O' Keeffe never imagined himself as a professor, he was lured to Stout due to the excellent reputation of the Graphic Design program.

"The atmosphere, quality of production, and staff are what make this one of the best university programs in the country," he explains. The hands-on approach is his favorite aspect of Stout's Design program.

On O'Keeffe's agenda are plans to re-create a design studio that he hopes to see take flight during the next couple of years. He believes that this will be beneficial to the students' total experience because the extra space and equipment will allow for more instructional time spent in the classroom.

Supporting this endeavor along side of O'Keeffe, are fellow colleagues, as well the Graphic Design program director and the dean.

During the course of his career in graphic design, O'Keeffe has explored many venues. He has designed everything from the tax form for the City of New York to magazine covers such as *Scholastic* and book covers for Random House. He is now working on a design for fellow professor Maureen Mitton's book "Presentation for Interior Design."

Aside from teaching, O'Keeffe's primary interest is the motorcycle culture. He has be an integral part of the controversial "Art of the Motorcycle" exhibition that began at New York's prestigious Guggenheim Museum and is now at its second stop of the U.S. tour at the Field Museum in Chicago.

He finds this culture interesting because it links people from a variety of backgrounds. "The motorcycle culture encompasses people from all backgrounds, and I am interested in finding out what it is that unites this unique culture," he said.

From New York to Colorado, O'Keeffe's lifepath is mirrored in his words. "Passion is the foundation for success, the rest will follow. Just let it take you."

—...Just Another Day—

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and may not be appropriate for children. This week, Chloe faces the reality of life and all of the hardships in looking at the future.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

The scare and horror of last week passed me by like a paycheck. I did get over the trauma of almost losing my dog, and I am now certainly more tolerant of his flamboyance. This week, it is a new chapter to the same story. Now Bailey has to have surgery on his eye. Not eye-corrective surgery; I don't spoil my dog that much. It seems he has a genetic disposition to having one of the glands in his eye inverse itself and protrude out from the eye. Yeah, I know it sounds gross, but believe me, it looks even worse.

In addition to that, my week has been loitered with unfinished homework and blank applications to graduate schools. How do you know what you want to do in life? I mean, graduate school is a big decision. We are talking about being in debt for at least 20 years of our lives. We better be damn sure we choose the right one. What happens if I go through six years of school, then find out I want to do something else? Will there eventually be a collection of degrees and PhDs added to my name like ugly figurines that sit cluttered and ignored on tables gathering dust? Will I eventually be called by reporter after reporter wanting interviews on the person with the record for the most unproductive years of schooling? Or will I eventually tire of getting PhDs and retire alone and broke in some lone country house feeding my 600 cats and blind dog exquisite cuisines I learned at culinary school? I may even try to teach them French and Arabic or maybe tidbits of other languages to make them worldly. Once again I would have reporters wanting the story on the old, senile lady that speaks in tongues to her pets.



What if I developed a PhD compulsion disorder, quite similar to bulimia, where I just can't stop going to school? It could happen. Maybe I am concentrating too much on my future. I know that whatever happens, ultimately I will be okay. But I also know that I want things done my way. I guess it's my need for control. The future is scary. I mean, not many want to think about being alone, jobless, and homeless for their entire lives. Yet, if I could, would I really want to know my future in detail? Gone would be the intrigue and mystery. My life would be a book already read.

Anyway, I was getting philosophical there for a minute. It almost frightened me! Maybe I should start talking about something a little more safe. Thanksgiving is coming up. I can't say it's my favorite holiday, but there are some benefits. For one, calories don't count. I'm giving thanks; it wouldn't be too polite if I denied the hand that fed me. Secondly, I get to listen to the men in my family scream at the TV. That's quite entertaining. And I learn new swear words. Thirdly, I get to help with dishes. Yeah, just what I want to do; reinforce the domestic tradition of females cooking and cleaning while men eat and swear. Real fair. Fourth, I get to spend time with my family. So they hang from the ceiling and bark like dogs, family is family. Lastly, I get a hundred questions like, what have I been doing with my time? Do I have a boyfriend? (That is my favorite.) Where am I going to graduate school next year? This brings me back to square one: my future.

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Fall troop succeeds with "All in the Timing"

In the first play of the 1998-1999 school year, the University Theatre troop took a risk on doing a comedy, and the gamble paid off.

"All in the Timing," as written by David Ives, gave hints of various comic views. The scenes ranged from Seinfeld-ish through skits Jim Carrey would be proud of to scenes where Monty Python-like humor appealed to the abstract nature of the audience.



Packed houses were a common scene for the players, as students came out in full force for the show. And no one was disappointed as the show was a sure pleaser. The play was fast paced for the student audience, and each segment had its own brand of humor. It was difficult to hold back smiles during the performance.

Easing the audience into their seats were two comic stances which could have been from the minds of the writers of "Must See TV." In "Sure Thing," the audience looks on as a man and a woman (Matt Simmons and Alicia Jarosh) meet in a coffee shop, make mistake after mistake, and are backtracked into making the right maneuvers until they succeed in dating. The set is an interesting introspection into the dating nature of Americans.

This set was followed up by a scene in which a man (B. Erich Kissel) slips into a state known as "The Philadelphia," a phenomenon where whatever the man asks for is unavailable. His friend (Joseph Baarsch) sets him straight on the situation and gives him pointers on how to get what he wants. The duo act the scene perfectly, having much of the audience rolling with laughter at their dilemma.

The tone of the plays become more abstract with "Variations of the Death of Trotsky," where Trotsky (Michael Brenholt) is informed by his wife (Jamie Anderson) that he was murdered the day before. The set is hilarious to slapstick comics, as Trotsky is forced to act the scene with a mountain climber's ax smashed into his skull. Brenholt acts (ax?) as an up-and-coming Jim Carrey while being superbly shadowed by Bryan Barts, portraying Ramon, his murderer.

From there the set turns into a lesson in schizophrenia, as a seven member cast dances in a choreographed session entitled "Philip Glass Buys a Loaf of Bread." The act has a Phish-like feel to it, as the dancing actors and actresses repeat a few sentences in their whirling dervishes.



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

The cast of the recent University Theatre production, "All in the Timing," go through a warm-up exercise called "Jabberwocky." The play was a weekend success, humoring four performances of packed audiences with their 11 scene production.

In all actuality, the first seven acts are a prelude to a blitzkrieg finish. Here the players re-enact four plays in honor of David Marmet, a master of the way Americans speak English. Ranging from "American Buffalo" to "Glengarry Glen Ross," 16 actors/actresses play out scenes no longer than a minute in length. All orchestrated to the MC (Alyssa Johnson), the four plays take no longer than four minutes. The action is high paced and an utter frenzy revolves around speech such as, "Your sperm...tastes like Clorox."

Dr. James-Michael Miller has done an excellent job with the cast, as he has done in the past. If you have not been out or have not had the opportunity to see a university play, it is an opportunity that will be sorely missed. "All in the Timing" deserves a mark of four out of five. The production was age-appropriate for the college crowds and fast paced to keep interest. The theatre will next put on the play "Harvey," a film once done by Jimmy Stewart involving an imaginary eight foot pink rabbit. We can hardly wait.

Horoscopes



For the week of Nov. 19, 1998 through Nov. 26, 1998

by Missy C. Stars

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Today, everyone will severly annoy you. The important thing is to remember that in the long run they're all gonna be dead.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
You'll sit on a chair today and break the legs off. Everyone will stare. It might be time to start that diet you've been putting off.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
You will develop a passion for Cajun cuisine and will refuse to eat anything that hasn't been blackened. No one will want you to join in on their potluck.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
Today you will call the number 867-5309 just to see if Jenny really lives there.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)
A bully is going to steal your lunch money today and stuff you in a locker.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
You've been very naughty and someone will spank you. However, you'll like it.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)
You'll feel like you just need some time to yourself this week. Build you own fort and pelt anyone with corn that tries to enter your perimeters.

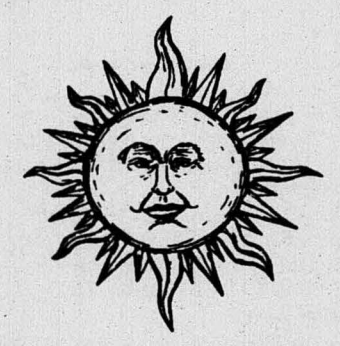
Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)
You are definitely looking for love in the wrong places. Don't just stand in the frozen foods section. At least go over and mingle in the toiletries aisle.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You blew up your dinner in the microwave again today, didn't you?

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Of all that is good and holy, for once just admit that the Spice Girls will always rule.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Today, you'll accidentally stumble upon two armadillos mating a little too late in the season. You'll have a chuckle about how foolish they were.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
This week you'll just plain feel like school is, in fact, hell on earth.



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BUT ON THE LOSING END...

Relating to the winner of the week, it seems like every station has finally discovered **The Barenaked Ladies**. I am sure I'm not the only one to admit I am SICK of their ramblings in *One Week*. The Ladies, who were a great band before they were discovered, can be found on any radio station (most notably, they've become poster boys for KDWB) on an average of every 2:37 minutes. I would appreciate it if I could hear some variety from them, most notably their *If I had a Million Dollars*. But, if I hear that damned song again, don't be surprised if you see me sprinting down the street in a postal rage.

Basketball teams get a jump on the season

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

This Friday marks the kick-off of the NCAA Division III basketball season and Stout's men and women's teams are sporting clubs with reason to believe this may be their year. An intrasquad preview last weekend gave an idea of what each team plans to accomplish.

The Women's Team, after losing one senior last year, will enter this season as a force to be reckoned with. Last season they closed with a 16-9 record, ranking them third in the conference. This season they are depending on a core of returning players, as well as some new faces to help augment their fast-break playing style. Returning players, such as Rachel Traynor and Shannon Berg, two all-conference picks from last season, are expected to lead the attack.

Coach Mark Thomas is very excited about the balance his team is finally starting to produce. Other returning notables include Stacie Anderson, Aslynn Johnson, and Larissa Sievert.

It is the recruiting class that really tips the cards. The presence of Tina Gillen and Katie Meyer will surely be felt, as they top out at 6'2" and 6'1," respectively. A host of other talent was brought in to fill the gaps in the wing and point guard positions.

The Men's Team has been likened to a sleeping giant in the WIAC. The team finished last season with a record of 10-15. Considering their status as an all-rookie team, with the exception of two players, the record proudly lays the foundation for this year. With a season of play under their belts, Coach Muraski is excited to see what the team can do.

Keep an eye on Andy Meyers, the team's second leading scorer, and Ben Kuepers, who led the team in rebounds despite a nagging foot injury. Like the Women's Team, the men's squad will rely on new talent to help improve their inside game. It will be a promising season as the team learns to work as a unit, and young players help bring wins home.

Effective teams speak for themselves. The only real proof that these teams are a sight to see will come at tip-off time. The women play this weekend in Alma, Mi. and Tuesday, Nov. 24 at Stout at 6 p.m.; the men play at the Best Western Tip Off Tournament at home at 5 p.m. on Friday and 7 p.m. on Saturday.

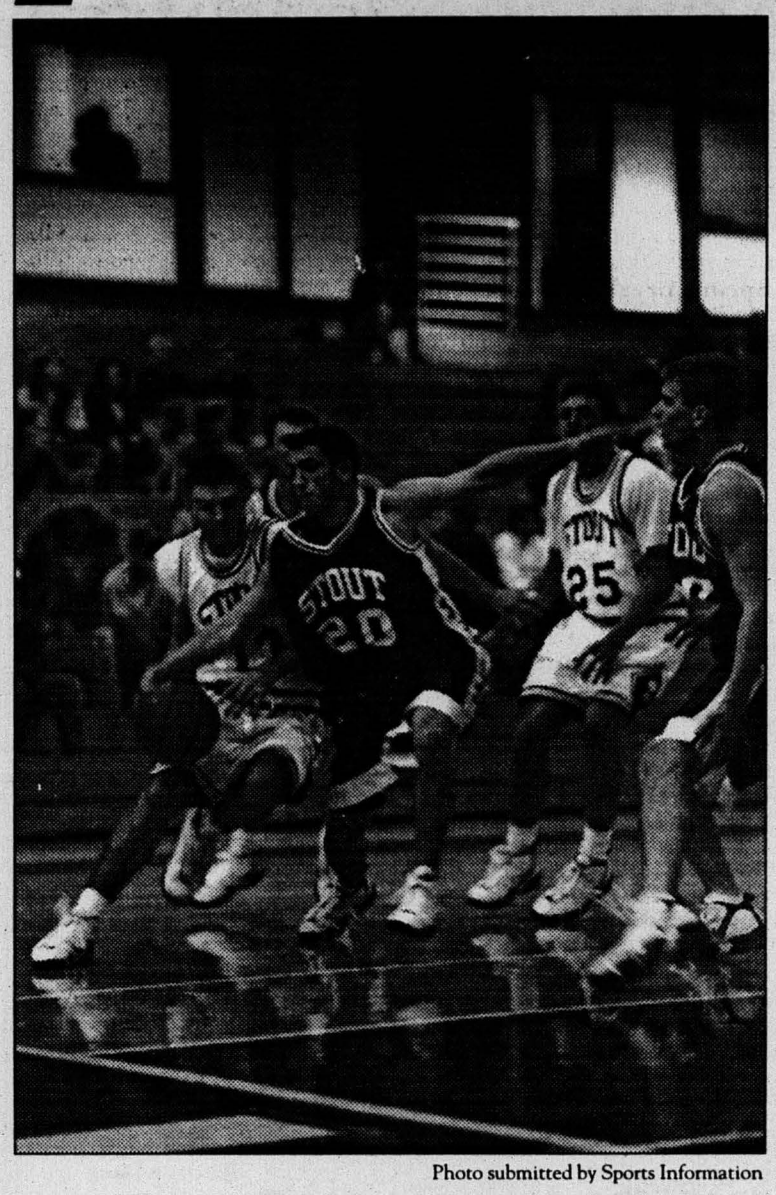


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In an intrasquad game, Pat Von Feldt drives to the hoop against Blue Devil teammates. Both the men's and women's teams competed to give fans a sneak peek at the season ahead.

Women take all-around honors

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

UW-Stout women were showered with recognition this weekend as players qualified for national competition and were named to various all-conference teams.

Katie Jacobson and Katy Olsen both qualified to the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships by finishing fourth and fifth respectively, at the Midwest Regionals in St. Louis, Mo. last Saturday.

The top seven individuals move on to the national event, set for Saturday, Nov. 21 in Carlisle, Pa. Jacobson and Olsen both competed at the national meet last year.

Carrie Blaska, a defender for the Blue Devil Soccer Team, was named as a first team selection to the All-WIAC Soccer Team.

Blaska, who only missed one game in her four years, enabled Stout to allow 10 less goals than last year.

Named to the second team were goalkeeper Nikki Bezak and forward Alyssa Halverson.

In volleyball, Stacy Stoddard repeated as a selection to the WIAC All-Conference Volleyball Team. Monica Cyrus was named as an Honorable Mention.

Stoddard led the Blue Devils to their second appearance in the NCAA Division III playoffs, setting a school record 541 kills. She is also the team leader in blocks and the recipient of the WIAC Volleyball Scholar-Athlete Award.

Congratulations to all athletes for a season filled with success.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Hockey

Gustavus Adolphus scored in overtime to down the Blue Devils, 5-4, Friday, Nov. 13 at home.

Mark Corbett knotted the score at 1-1 early in the second period. Thirty seconds later, Steve Holeczy followed up with the second goal.

Gustavus scored twice late in the second period but Tom Schaffner tied the score midway through the third period. Gustavus answered back six minutes later.

The Blue Devils' Kevin Aube sent the game into overtime off an assist from RJ Schreifer and Josh Marklevitz.

Stout opens a series with UW-River Falls this Thursday at 7:30 p.m., then travels to River Falls, Friday, Nov. 20 and Tuesday, Dec. 1, both at 7 p.m.

Women's Volleyball

UW-Whitewater blanked UW-Stout in the NCAA Division III Midwest Region Semi-finals last Friday at Whitewater.

Stacy Stoddard recorded 12 kills, and Tori Feit totalled seven. Stoddard also had two solo blocks for Stout, who finishes with a record of 22-14.

Men's Cross Country

Clint Latz finished 31st to lead Stout to an eighth place finish at the NCAA Division III Midwest Region Semi-finals last Saturday in St. Louis, Mo.

Latz came in with a time of 25 minutes, 37.70 seconds. Josh Johnson placed 38th with a time of 25:51.20.

Battle on the ice

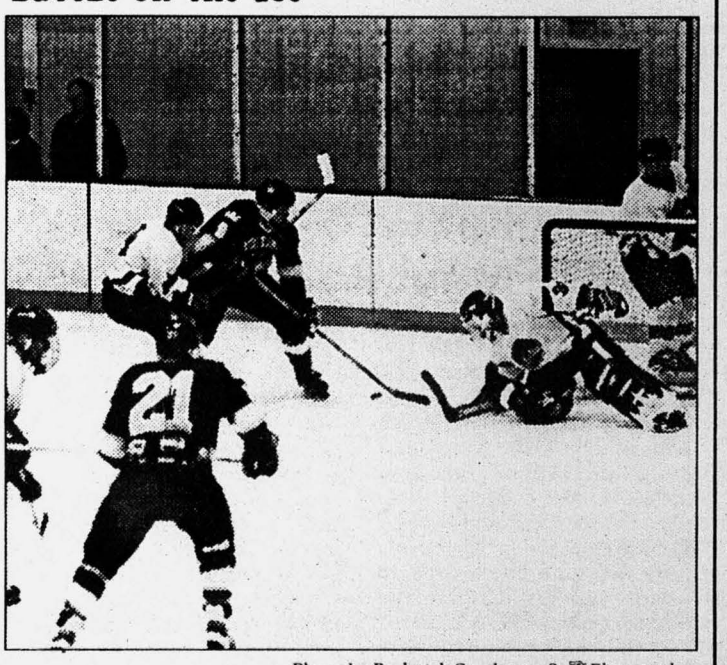


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Despite several attempts to confirm the lead, the Blue Devils were downed in overtime. After trading goals all night, the game ended 5-4 in favor of Gustavus Adolphus.

Football ends season with impressive win and record

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The Football Team closed out their season last Saturday at Platteville, taking the Pioneers to the woodshed in a 48-12 victory.

The Blue Devils cashed in on Pioneer mishaps all afternoon. An early Platteville fumble resulted in the Devils' first score, a 40-yard strike from quarterback Matt Bunyan to Jesse Witcraft.

After a Pioneers' score and botched extra point, the Blue Devils capped off a determined drive as Aaron Johnson rumbled in from two yards.

An awkward play by the Pioneers, this time on the snap, allowed Stout to move the ball against the Platteville defense, scoring on a 20-yard pass from Bunyan to Shawn Lund.

The following Pioneer possession was stunted when Joe Verstegen picked off a pass, returning it to the Platteville 38-yard line. Five plays later, Lund carried the ball in from the one-yard line for his second score of the afternoon.

The Pioneers muffed another punt snap and were dumped on their own three-yard line, giving Bunyan and Lund the easy opportunity to connect on a short play.

The Pioneers mounted their final score early in the third period but could not stop Bunyan's attack on the Platteville secondary. Finding Jesse Diaz for a 57-yard score, Bunyan's pass extended the lead to 42-12. He capped off his quintuple touchdown performance with a two-yard toss to Andy Mutch.

Head Coach Ed Meierkort calls Bunyan "possibly the finest football player ever to play at Nelson Field." This season Bunyan set a record with 38 touchdown passes. He accumulated 3,220 yards of passing, one yard short of his current record. He also extended his career touchdown total to 85.

As of Saturday, Lund holds the season scoring record, tallying 94 points on the season. He also earned the single season touchdown record, with 15, and most touchdown receptions with 12.

The Blue Devil's 5-5 record in the WIAC marked the second consecutive year that Stout has achieved a .500 or better record, a feat they haven't accomplished since the early 1980s. Coach Meierkort is already optimistic about next season and looking forward to the return of eight of his 11 offensive starters.

Several players were named to the WIAC all-conference teams. Bill Berg was named to the first team while Bunyan, Lund, Diaz, Verstegen, Ben Leslie, and Erik Lund were named to the second team.

Coach Meierkort and his players would also like to thank the university band for generating crowd enthusiasm during games. Their support was critical for those high pressure wins.

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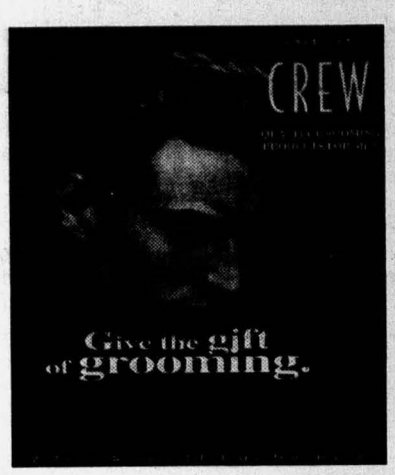
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Marcy Kaptur (D), U.S. Congresswoman, Ohio writes: "Mr. Cole has obviously invested a great deal in researching his subject and I admire his tenacious curiosity. Again, I thank you for sharing this documentary with myself and other Members of Congress." **Yehuda Bauer,** head of the **Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Jewry and Humanities** (**Jerusalem**), writes: "A powerful, dangerous video...."

The Jewish Defense League writes (in a "Wanted" ad for Mr. Cole, on the Internet, which includes Cole's photograph): "An evil monster like this does not deserve to live.... We must get rid of this monster.... There needs to be ... the elimination of the Holocaust deniers. JDL wants to know the location of ... David Cole. Anyone giving us his correct address will receive a monetary reward."

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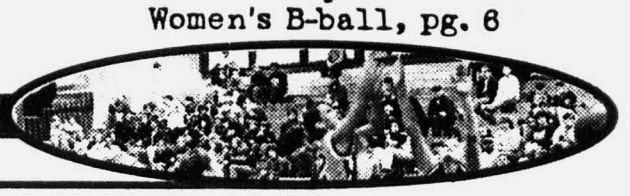
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Milwaukee band on college scene again



Photo by Lisa Harris, *Staff Photographer*

Over 200 people crowded the Great Hall Tuesday as the Milwaukee band, The Gufs visited Stout for the first time. FYE worked diligently to bring the band to campus, who will be releasing their new album "Holiday From You" in May. Check out page 5 for an exclusive interview with the band.

UW System vies for more money

Submitted by Lisa Nellessen-Lara
Stevens Point Journal

University of Wisconsin System officials are hoping the state will start picking up the slack and paying its share to support the state's 26 public colleges.

"It only makes sense to continue the historic partnership between the state and the University of Wisconsin System," said David J. Ward, senior vice president of academic affairs for the University of Wisconsin System.

During the past four years, Wisconsin tax support for higher education increased by seven percent, while inflation rose 11 percent.

But the state has a lot riding on UW System-educated students. The UW System has an $8 billion annual economic impact on Wisconsin, about 10 times the state's investment, Ward said.

The state also reaps the benefits of the 150,000 students and 25,000 faculty who are currently involved with the UW System, he said. Enrollment has continually increased across the campuses.

"It is amazingly affordable to get a University of Wisconsin System education," Ward said.

The average total cost for a UW education is about $9,000. Tuition is kept low thanks to the efforts of the administrators, according to Ward.

"Administrative expenses and costs are kept low compared to the 18 other states with systems similar to Wisconsin," Ward said.

The UW System spends 5.5 cents on the dollar on administrative costs, compared to 10 cents nationally.

And while 58 percent of students have loans to repay after college, averaging about $13,000, that must be weighed against the lifetime value of their education, Ward said.

In the coming years, the UW System is requesting a 3.4 percent, or about $43 million, annual budget increase to remain competitive.

The 1998-99 UW System budget is set at $2.7 billion, of which the state contributes about a third.

The increase will be used to fund several new initiatives, including bolstering the system's libraries and information technology and training an additional 800 students per year for information technology careers.

Ward also wants to improve student and career advising to increase freshmen retention and timely graduation.

Special funding from the budget has also been targeted to assist local governments through expanded access to UW faculty, programs, and facilities.

Email pains soon to go away

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

As of fall 1999, Stout will no longer use the e-mail system that is currently in place. Instead, the VMS system that is being used will be upgraded to a Microsoft Exchange System.

Currently the VMS e-mail system causes many problems for students, often leaving them with messages that mail is unsendable.

This is mainly because of the limited number of connections the system allows students to use at one time. If there are more than 50 students trying to check or send e-mail at one time, the system will not allow other students to log on.

The Microsoft Exchange System, new technology recently acquired by Stout, will allow an unlimited number of students to be on the system at a single time.

Doug Wahl, who works in the Telecommunication and Networking Department, feels this system will be easy for students to learn quickly and understand.

"We already have bought the system, but before we install it we would like the students to know that the e-mail system will be switched; and secondly, inform them briefly on how to use it."

To change the e-mail system will be no easy task.

In fact, it will take several months to enter all the information necessary to get Microsoft Exchange up and running.

In the meantime, the best advice from the university is to use the e-mail system at hours that are less likely to be busy. According to Wahl, 7-10:30 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. on the weekdays are the best times to click in.

Forensics Team on the move

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Stout's Forensics Team will host a Collegiate Tournament on Dec. 4 and 5, a tradition 33 years old. Stout's team will face what is considered to be the most competitive district of the nine in the United States.

This year is expected to be a large turn-out, with schools coming from as far as Texas to attend.

Forensics is often thought of as the study of dead bodies. But on the college level, it is a form of competitive public speaking.

With the arrival of Doug Binsfeld, Stout's new director of Forensics, the Speech department has become a more lively place.

Team membership has increased in the last year from only four members to 17 and growing.

Tammy Reiter, a second year returning member to the team, believes the growth has increased because of the coach's dedication to the team.

"It's great to have a coach [Binsfeld] and assistant coach [Liz Danko] who are willing to work hard with our team. They have brought a new life to Forensics here at Stout."

There are nine different categories of speeches falling under the Forensic guidelines, ranging from serious persuasive speeches, to the more humorous and laid-back after dinner speaking.

"My experience has been absolutely incredible these past few months," said Anne Ryan, a novice team member involved in dramatic interpretation. "It has reinforced my love of getting to perform, and I've met some fantastic people along the way."

The team has set three main goals for this year. First, to partake in a rewarding educational experience, secondly, to have at least 10 members qualify for Nationals (three have so far), and finally, to have fun.

The Forensic Team is planning to attend the National Pi Kappa Delta Convention held in Fargo, ND in March, as well as the National Forensic Association Tournament in Michigan.

To prepare for these competitions, the team is also preparing to have a "Speech Showcase" for the school and community sometime in February.

Interested students can contact Doug Binsfeld at x-1613, Liz Danko at x-5294, or stop by during a Forensic meetings held every Wednesday at 9 p.m. in the Speech Department Office.

Psychology labs ready for use



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

A crowd gathered as Chancellor Sorensen cut the ribbon that unveiled the new psychology labs. The labs will provide students and faculty with two-way mirrors, research data computers, and the technology to test body biorythms and other physical readings.

Police Beat

Compiled by Hilary Thalacker from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Property found
On Nov. 21 a black case containing 57 CDs was found in Lot 14. No reports have been made regarding the lost property.

Bikes are safe
Two bikes were found outside the LLC on Nov. 17. Apparently abandoned, both were taken into storage for safe keeping.

Accident
Two vehicles were struck in Lot 18 on Nov. 18 when a third vehicle rolled from its parked location. Damage: a broken taillight.

Weight room incident
A student was taken to Myrtle Werth via ambulance on Nov. 17 due to a shoulder injury he sustained in the weight room.

Vandalism
A car parked outside CKTO was damaged, with all four hubcaps removed, weather stripping ripped out around passenger door, and tears around the lights. No suspects have been reported.

Stolen property
A student reported a CD player, jacket, and vest missing out of a vehicle parked in Lot 5 on Nov. 16. There are no suspects in the case.

Gas leak in lot
A vehicle was reported to be leaking gasoline in Lot 14 on Nov. 21. The fire department was notified of the fire hazard and treated the spill. A towing service was called and removed the vehicle. The owner of the vehicle was notified also.

Citations
During the weeks of Nov. 16-30, six citations were issued for underage alcohol consumption, one citation for public urination (outside the police station), and one citation for fraud.

University Notes

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Santa's Clauset
A retail store sponsored by the MHS marketing students and Stout's Project Method class will be opening in the Thunderbird Mall on Dec. 3 during regular mall hours. Toys, movies, candles, snowmobiles, a VW bug, inflatable chairs, wrestling shirts, and other "gifty" things will be sold. The grand opening is Dec. 5 at 11:00 a.m.

Chancellor's Reception
Chancellor Sorensen invites all Stout staff and students to join him in celebrating the holidays on Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 2-4 in the Crystal Ballroom of MSC. Stoutreach will be sponsoring a Giving Tree Project that will benefit Dunn County families. Please bring new toys and/or winter clothes and drop them off at the holiday box in the MSC.

Tax credit notice
Two new tax credits are available to students for expenses they pay towards post secondary education for themselves and their dependent children. These tax credits can directly reduce the amount of federal income tax for returns filed in 1999 or later. The Hope Scholarship Credit is available for the first two years of post-secondary education. The Lifetime Learning Credit applies on a tax-return basis and covers a broader time frame. More information can be found on this web site: http://www.ed.gov/inits/hope. Brochures can be picked up at room 125 in the Administration Building or at the MSC Service Desk.

United Way
The goal for this year's United Way donations is $22,000. Please consider giving generously to make a difference in the lives of those in need throughout Dunn County. For a pledge card, call University Relations at x-2381.

Scholarships available
Each year the National Association for Campus Activities offers thousands of dollars in scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students from member schools. Scholarship and award application forms are available at the SOC Desk. Some of the awards included are NACA Wisconsin Region Student Leadership Award, Southeast Region Student Leadership Award, Multicultural Scholarship Program, Foundation Graduate Scholarships, and the Lori Rhett Memorial Scholarship.

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What was in your Grandma's stuffing?



"Leftovers from last year!"

Larry Graves
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"I always wondered what happened to little Fluffy..."

Craig Giessler
Junior
Human Development and Family Studies



"The insides of the bird."

Brooke Whitenberg
Freshman
Undecided



"I don't know, but it sure burns coming out!"

Eric Demmith
Sophomore
Packaging



"It's always been don't ask, don't tell."

Nick Morgan
Sophomore
Undecided

Next Week's Question: What is the worst Christmas lie your parents ever told you?

Campus Slant is compiled by Nancy Heinze. If you have ideas for Campus Slant, send them to:
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Letters

To whom it may concern,

This is the Director of Financial Affairs (for SSA), and I have some issues for you. No, I am not going after anyone; that I will save for another letter. I do want to get some opinions, though, because I am planning on proposing a budget for the SSA and I do not want to do any sort of raises without the *permission* of the campus. I want to raise the segregated fees so that we could bring more popular, bigger name acts to campus. I am talking about groups like Semisonic, The Violent Femmes, De La Soul, and other acts that are well known. Stevens Point and Eau Claire have brought these people to their campuses, but we cannot because we do not have the funds. Therefore, I would like to establish a fund for things like this.

Also, I am working on a proposal to the administration to change our athletic logo. Right now, we are limited to what we can use as a logo for athletics, and that basically says no devil. This will also be on the questionnaire so that I can get a feeling for the campus' opinion. If you want to voice your opinion, talk to your representative or call x-2100 to tell your executives how you feel.

Thanks,
Josh Johnson

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to inform the campus to beware of the goods and services provided by a local auto service establishment. Churchill Tire and Battery, owned by Ron Husby, basically refuses to refund my money for services not yet received. I have gotten my car serviced there on several occasions. Every time I have a major problem with my car that interferes with its ability to operate, and I have Churchill Tire service my car, I end up taking the car back to be double-checked for the same problem. Every time I go back, they charge me extra for attempting to remedy the same problem. No credit, no guarantees, no refunds.

I went to Churchill Tire and talked with Ron Husby and he told me to take my car and never bring it back. What kind of customer service is that? I've contacted the Better Business Bureau, and I intend to contact Goodyear, who certifies his people to operate, and tell them about the terrible service he's extended to me and who knows how many other people. I've also contacted a lawyer who suggests I take him to small claims court.

So campus, beware. Help me take a stand and do not allow yourself or anyone you know to be disrespected by terrible customer service...the only guaranteed service you will get at Churchill Tire and Battery.

Sincerely,
Prather Fowlkes
Senior, Hospitality and Tourism

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Collaborating ideas to fight the virus

■ Young and old alike create the "Force for Change" theme of World AIDS Day

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

The only international day of coordinated action against AIDS was first held in 1988. Ever since then, Dec. 1 has been recognized as World AIDS Day. This day is used to bring messages of compassion, hope, solidarity, and understanding about AIDS to every country in the world.

World AIDS Day was created by the World Summit of Ministers of Health on Programmes for AIDS prevention in January of 1988. Their aim was to open communication, strengthen the exchange of information and experience, and create a spirit of social tolerance worldwide.

Since 1988, World AIDS Day has gained support from the World Health Assembly, the United Nations, governments, communities, and individuals on a global scale.

Showing support for AIDS awareness can be demonstrated by wearing the international symbol - a red ribbon. Year round, this symbol is displayed to demonstrate care and concern about HIV and AIDS and to remind people that their support and commitment is needed to battle the deadly disease.

This year, the World AIDS Day theme was "Force for Change: World AIDS Campaign With Young People." It is widely recognized that young people can make huge differences in raising awareness. This awareness is desperately needed in light of recent statistics showing that throughout the world, five young people are infected with HIV every minute. According to UNAIDS, 16,000 people are infected everyday.

Young people deserve priority attention in the ever-growing AIDS/HIV epidemic. By utilizing the creativity, energy and charisma of young people, and listening to what they have to say, programs such as "Force For Change" can evolve.

What everyone should know about AIDS

- 33.4 million people alive today are infected with HIV/AIDS. Of these, 32.2 million are adults.
- An estimated 13.9 million people have died from AIDS since the epidemic began.
- Young people account for at least 50 percent of all those who become infected after infancy.
- New infections in young people occur at the rate of five per minute.
- Women are becoming increasingly affected by HIV. Approximately 43 percent of the adults living with AIDS or HIV are women.
- More than 95 percent of all HIV-infected people now live in the developing world.
- One in every three children orphaned by HIV/AIDS is under the age of five.
- New York has reported the highest number of AIDS cases at 120,103.

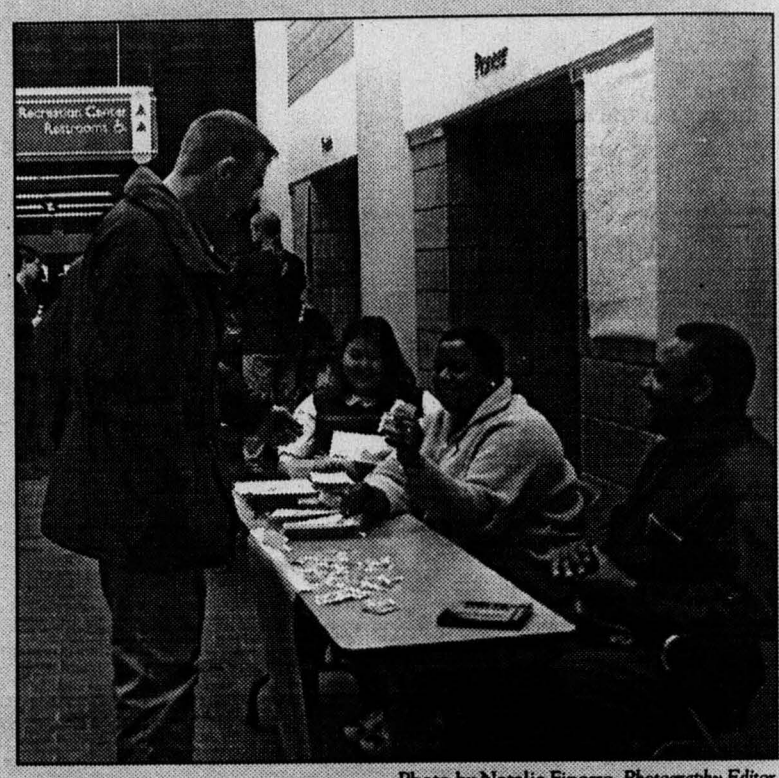


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Handing out condoms is a way to shout in student's ears, "Safe sex!" In honor of World AIDS Day, passer-bys were bombarded in the Memorial Student Center with free offers*.
*of condoms

Faculty Profile

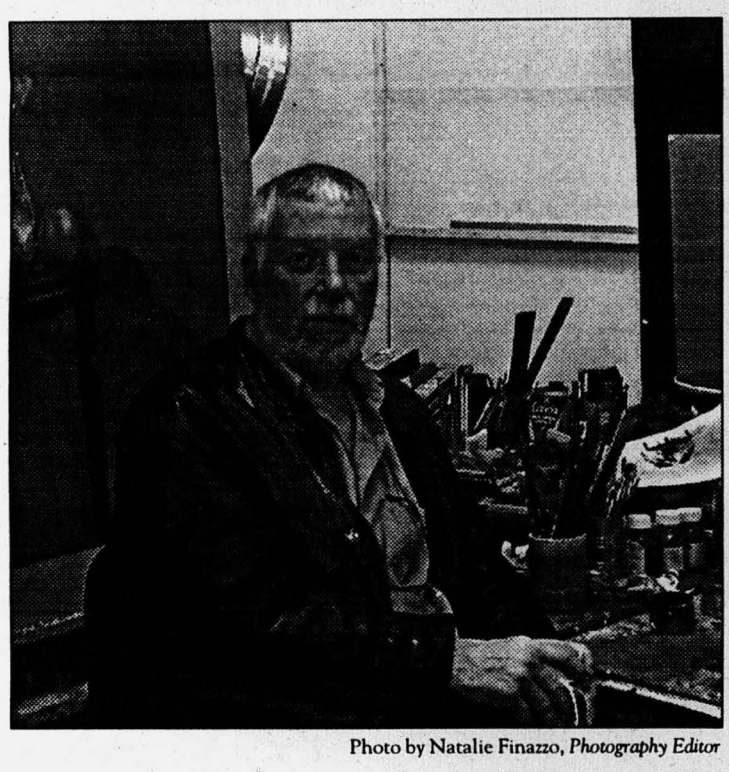


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by Alissa Bergstrom
Staff Reporter

Douglas Cummings, professor of Art and Design at UW-Stout, doubles as a renowned artist.

For the past 30 years, Cummings has been instructing beginning and life drawing students, while working out of his studio. He describes himself as a contemporary realist, most of his art being still life and figure paintings.

Solo exhibitions of his work have been shown at museums in the Midwest and the East Coast and exclusively in Europe.

Originally hired to teach print menu, Cummings' interest in drawing and figure painting led him away from his original career path.

Currently the Art and Design program is one of the largest in the country with a total of over 900 undergraduates, far exceeding his expectations. "Our students really have the best of both worlds. Stout is close to the Twin Cities, yet small enough to ensure hands-on instruction," he said.

Cummings likes to see students study abroad. He assisted his wife Nancy in beginning a graphic design exchange program with Germany. "This program is so successful because it has its own dynamics. All students involved really benefit," he said. Over 100 students on both sides of the graphic design exchange program recently helped celebrate the program's 10 year anniversary.

Teaching students to see critically is one of Cummings' goals. His vast knowledge of art history and rich life experiences bring vitality to the classroom, giving his students a firm foundation.

Whether instructing students or spending his summers working out of his studio in the south of France, Cummings is content in his work. This means retirement will wait for at least a couple of years.

— ...Just Another Day —

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and may not be appropriate for children. This week, Chloe talks of how the holidays bring about the quest of sharing the joy with loved ones. What happens to those who are forced to be alone?

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

Thanksgiving was pretty ordinary. Everyone behaved themselves, and we didn't even need to call the cops this year. It seems as though this holiday marks the beginning of the winter festivities. After Thanksgiving it is okay to play Christmas music and drown the house in lights and decorations. If you do it before (like my parents), people just think you are crazy and laugh as they think of your electric bill.

I think this season is also a hard time for many people. During the Christmas season there is an extreme rise in suicides, with depression also at an all-time high. I think it is a hard time without family, and it is even harder to be alone. It's sad because Christmas is supposed to be such a joyous occasion. I guess people just lose sight.

I am dedicating this talk to all the people I love and care about. I know this is a hard time for many. I admit to falling prey to feelings of doubt and insecurity about my future during this time. Not only is it Christmas, it's also a new year, and graduate school applications are on the way.

Yet, I often ask myself, "Why can't people just be happy? Why must they put themselves through the pain and agony of dredging up past mistakes and focusing on why they think their lives are so wrong? Why do so many people feel alone and misunderstood?" Maybe this season is wonderful if you have someone to share it with, but not so great for those that don't.

I remember a particular Christmas I am especially embarrassed to admit. Here I had everything, and I was so upset because I wanted more. I must have been about 11 or 12 years old. It was Christmas Eve, and upholding traditions, my family shared the evening with my mother's side of the family.

The tree was decorated in pure white lights and a collection of Santa ornaments were placed with purpose on the limbs. There must have been a million presents waiting to be opened. All of us cousins would hover around the tree all night, categorizing and shaking our presents. I had mine all in a row. "This one has the prettiest wrapping on it," I thought. "I'll open this first."

As the night went on, we children became more and more anxious to open our gifts of wonder. The intrigue was immense. Somewhere along the line, our mothers got smart. They made the rule that no presents could be opened until after all tables and dishes were cleaned. They could have gotten us to clean the entire block of houses if they would have been really smart. I still remember their key phrase, "If you kids help, dishes will be done faster and you will be able to open your presents sooner." I can't remember when I stopped falling for that; come to think of it, I was still doing dishes last year.



The family gathered around while we tore into our presents. Opening them was like an addiction; we couldn't stop to even admire one before we demolished another; a quick thanks was mumbled and on to the next. At the end of the wrapping storm, I still remember looking at my presents and thinking, "This is it? Why do my cousins get more presents than I? I'm so deprived. I WANT MORE."

I was in class the other day (because I do go to class) and a quote was spoken that I felt was very powerful: "I cried because I had no shoes until I met a man that had no feet." And you think you have it bad.

I feel guilty because I felt that way for one night. I can't imagine viewing my whole life that way. It is good to want a lot out of life as long as you cherish what you already have. Life sucks at times, I know this. Sometimes I may be sad, I accept this. But as soon as I give up, life is gone. If I keep going, I'll get through it.

It's hard seeing people I love unhappy and know that nothing I can say will change their feelings. It's like watching a rainbow fade and trying to bring it back; I just can't do it. I guess my advice to each person out there is: If you're feeling low this holiday season, count your blessings instead of sheep and you will fall asleep or something like that. If you are a friend who knows someone in need, take the time to be there for them, I mean really be there. Chances are, all they want is to feel as though someone loves and understands them.

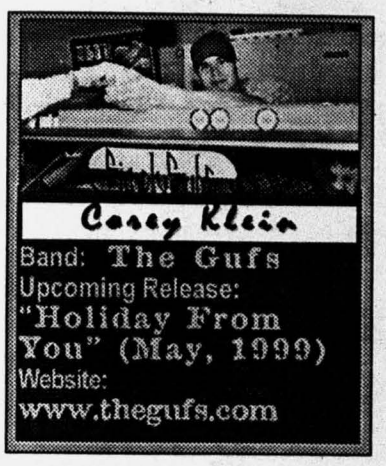
If none of this applies to you, you are either a really good friend or a really bad one. I mean, you either have friends who don't have a reason to feel down or you are so caught up in yourself, you just don't realize it.

It's cool to care about people. Take it from me, I'm a cool girl. Sure I like to pretend I'm tough. Well, I think I am tough; what's all this pretend stuff? What makes me tough is not the fact that I can beat up kind-of strong people. What makes me tough is that I can take the risk to care about people. The way I see it, anyone can walk the earth alone. I really admire the one who is able to walk the earth with me.

Milwaukee's finest, The Gufs, pack the MSC

Before taking the stage Tuesday night, the Milwaukee-based band, The Gufs, had one wish for the Stout crowd: to smile and have a good time.

The 200 students who crowded the Great Hall's floor did not disappoint, cheering and singing along throughout the band's 15 song set.



The Gufs went on to perform one of the most meaningful performances Stout has seen over the fall. Each band member got the chance to show off to the crowd, hitting on all cylinders in turn.

I was fortunate enough to talk with The Gufs before they went on stage Tuesday, uncovering some background information from the band.

Corey Klein: Where did all of you meet?
Goran Kralj: During college at UW-Milwaukee. Out of coincidence Scott and I roomed together, played soccer together. Dejan, being my brother, joined in. Soon Morgan [Dawley] was with us, and we went from there.
CK: Where did the name The Gufs come from?
Dejan Kralj: It was from a 1988 Demi Moore flick called *Seventh Sign*. The guf was the hall of souls in heaven.
CK: What do you do to relax?
Scott Schwebel: Stay away from each other! No, it's just hard all living in the same house together while recording our new album.
DK: While I'm on the road I usually read.
Morgan Dawley: We're big into movies...and golf.
CK: Any favorite flicks?
DK: Well a band favorite is *Austin Powers*. We're anxiously awaiting *Austin Powers: The Spy who Shagged me* in the spring.
CK: Who would you compare yourselves to?
GK: No one in particular. I think you can pick out small pieces of our music, and it might sound a little like someone else. We've been compared to The Posies and Toad the Wet Sprocket; I think some pieces sound like James Taylor.
CK: What has been The Gufs biggest concert?
DK: For turn out, I think the Marcus Amphitheater where the New Rock Festival is held. We also always got big crowds at the annual Summerfest where we've played for six years.
CK: What do you love and hate about band life?
DK: Making a living at what you love. I get to live my dream everyday.
GK: Still being able to come to college, this time it's probably easier.
SS: For hate, being away from home.
DK: The best is when you can sleep in your own bed, and can cook something yourself, not get it out of a hotel vending machine.
CK: Who have you all toured with?
DK: The Samples, Matchbox 20, Jars of Clay. It was great to tour with Matchbox 20 because we got to see how they grew to become what they are. They are the same guys as they were before; really cool guys.
CK: So, what's on deck for you guys?
DK: Well, we'll finish up in the studio on our new album in January. It should be out in May and will be entitled "Holiday From You." We should get some time off after the studio and tour again when the album is out.

The Gufs fed off the crowd's enthusiasm, delivering powerful lyrics backed by even more powerful guitar riffs.

For Your Entertainment (FYE) did a wonderful job in preparing for the show, as they always have. FYE will be hosting Johnny Holm and Justin Hoth this spring, in addition to the annual Bash on the Grass.

For those interested, FYE is in search of new members. To join the Student based organization, you can contact Starla Dixen at x-3693.

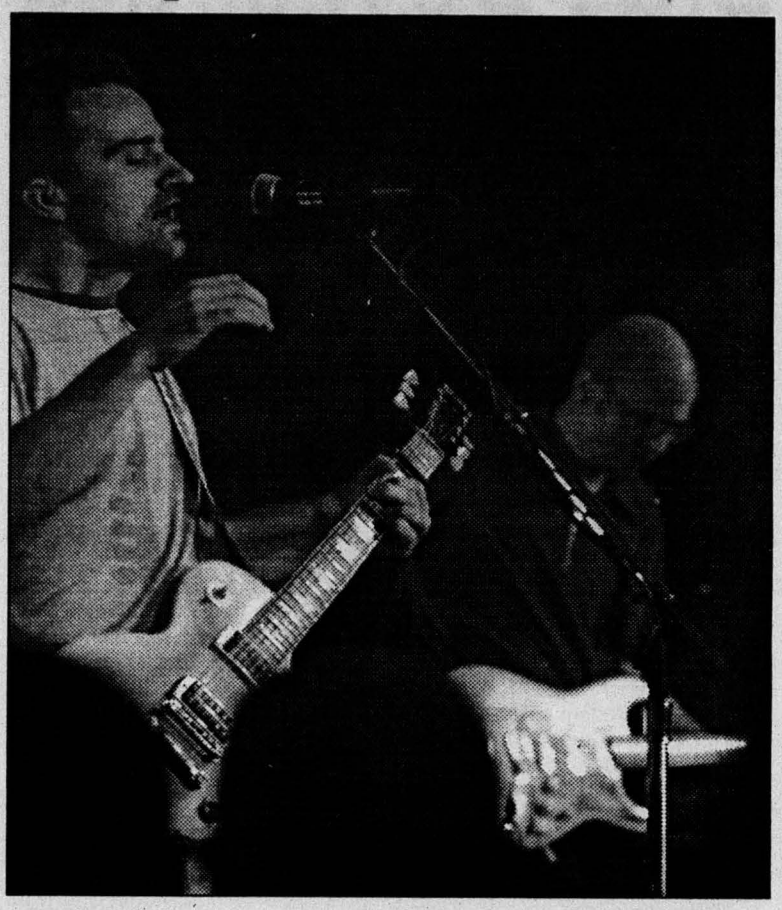


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Lead singer Goran Kralj (left) is shadowed by guitarist Morgan Dawley on Tuesday night during The Gufs concert. The Milwaukee-based band was brought to Stout courtesy of FYE.

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Winner and Loser of the week!

AND THE WINNER IS...

Riding along on the hottest movie of the fall, **Adam Sandler** has joined Hollywood's elite family of actors. The perpetual funnyman should now rake in 20 million a film following the success of *The Waterboy*, placing him with the likes of Tom Cruise and Jim Carrey. On a local note, I have not even had a chance to see the film, as Oakwood was still sold out two weeks after the film opened. Man, Wisconsinites are creating a religion around this guy! Anyways, why don't we go eat some hay; I can lay down by the bay; make things out of clay; I just may; what do ya say?

BUT ON THE LOSING END...

Any upstanding citizen should give kudos to Minnesota governor-elect Jesse Ventura for (finally) breaking the American tradition of bi-partisan politics. But shame on past opponent **Hulk (Hollywood?) Hogan** for trying to turn politics into a three ring circus. After retiring from professional wrestling, Hogan appeared on the "Tonight Show" to solidify his push for the presidency in 2000. Come on, do you really think Oprah Winfrey would be your running mate, much less talk to your sorry ass? If it were up to me, you wouldn't qualify to serve me burgers at the Pawn.

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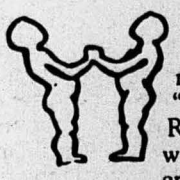
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) You'll come across some nerd graffiti and realize you're in a bad neighborhood. You'll be surrounded by phrases like, "Go to heck! I love algebra! Herman is a poop!"



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Surprise your guests this week with a "magic fingers" toilet seat.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) You will record a new CD called "Dorm Room Revenge" which will feature loud arguments, barking dogs, breaking glass, and noisy sex. Just leave your room and crank up the volume. Each noise segment will be evenly spaced to make them think you've finally stopped.



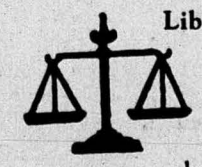
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Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Today you will ignore the warning label on a mouthwash bottle and attempt to yodel. This will be a mistake.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) You will get in a drawn-out, vicious fight with a squirrel today. You'll eventually lose.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Unknown to you, people think you are a wimp, just because of your weak handshake. You need to get one of those hand exercisers and use it continuously for months. Then, crush their little hands into bits.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Due to a bump on the head, you'll lose all memory of the exam you just studied for or that's the dandy excuse you'll tell your professor.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) A creature from the "48th Dimension" will attach itself to your leg. Eventually you'll get used to it.



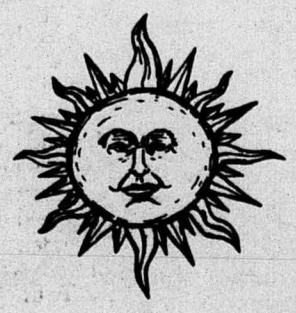
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Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Today you will have a wonderful, peaceful day that will last an eternity. Nah, I'm just kidding. Like that ever happens.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today you'll know that you were an 80s kid when you have to admit that you had "poofy bangs," tightly rolled jeans, and you know what "psych" means.



Blue Devils rack up impressive 4-1 record

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The hardwood floors of Johnson Fieldhouse is once again under attack as both the men's and women's basketball teams have hit their seasons full stride.

While much of the nation spent Thanksgiving feasting on turkey, potatoes, and the like, the Men's Basketball Team feasted on their opponents during the Colorado Classic in Colorado Springs. The Blue Devils, behind all-tournament performances from Jeremy Preston and Aaron Vachowiak, captured the tournament title.

Stout hit 21 of 30 from the charity stripe and netted nine of 16 three-point attempts as they defeated host Colorado College in the opening night of the tournament.

Saturday night, the Devils found themselves trailing 18-2 to Olivet College of Michigan before a late first half run brought them to within three points at the intermission. After a lack-luster shooting performance in the first half, the Blue Devils found their strokes in the second, shooting 64 percent from the field and defeating Olivet 80-65 in the championship. "The tournament was a great experience for us," said Head Coach John Muraski.

After competing in two tournaments and one non-conference game, the Men's Team has compiled an impressive 4-1 record, their only loss being a one point defeat to Cardinal Stritch in their own Tip-Off Tournament. Coach Muraski sees good team chemistry and strong leadership from returnees as the cornerstones of this year's squad. Muraski sites "strong perimeter play, a low turnover rate, and good defense," as more of the major strengths of his team so far.

The Women's Basketball Team have had their work cut out for them this year, as all three of their opponents to date have been accompanied by national rankings. "We wanted to find out where we were at," said Coach Mark Thomas of his team's rugged opening schedule.

The Women's Team opened their season Nov. 20, competing in the Scottie Classic in Alma, MI. They opened the tournament against hosting Alma College in a high-scoring affair, resulting in a disappointing 108-100 Stout loss. Said Head Coach Mark Thomas, "We played the game at our pace and lost a 16-point lead."

Stout's offense was stymied Nov. 21 by the defense of nationally ranked Calvin College in a 77-36 defeat. Rebounds were the telling tale of the night. Stout was held to 16 total rebounds while Calvin nearly tripled Stout's output with 45.

The Women's Team entertained St. Thomas on Nov. 24. Stout paced with the nationally ranked Tommies for much of the contest; however, the Tommies made good on a number of Blue Devil turnovers midway through the second half, stretching the final difference to a 94-70 loss.

Senior Shannon Berg led the Blue Devil attack with 20 points supplemented by Andrea Traynor's 14.

Coach Thomas sees "team speed" and "talented depth" as definite strengths for his team's full court pressure. He has found inexperience to be their only major set back at the start of the season.



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

UW-Stout's Stacie Anderson goes up for a shot during the Blue Devils' game against the La Crosse Eagles on Wednesday, Dec. 2. The Blue Devils broke a three-game losing streak with their 83-63 win.

On the shoulders of Hoard, the purple march into season's end

■ Moss' three touchdowns lead team over Dallas while losing Smith for a few weeks. Leroy Hoard ready to step into starting role against Chicago.

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

Did someone say playoff berth? Here's news for all of those who had their head in a turkey: the Minnesota Vikings are on their way to the playoffs. With Thursday's win over the Dallas Cowboys, the Vikings have become the first team to claim a playoff spot for the '98 season.

Though it was hardly a pretty game. The scoreboard in Dallas sported numbers more reminiscent of a basketball game than a football outing, considering the 46-36 final. In spite of what the high scores might suggest, the defense did its job. Simply put, it was just a day of superb offense from the Vikings - superb offense that led to a series of broken records.

Among them the final score itself, being included in the highest scoring turkey day contests of all time. First place, ironically, is held by the same two teams dating back to an earlier Thanksgiving match-up when Minnesota beat Dallas by nine with a score of 48-39.

Emmit Smith made the all-time record for rushing touchdowns and now sits on top of the heap with 123, and Troy Aikman had a personal best throwing for 455 yards on the day. However, though the Dallas offense was far from sluggish, Randal Cunningham and the purple machine would not be denied.

Cunningham, continuing to lead the quarterbacks' rating pack with an amazing 109.2, came through with another stellar performance, throwing for 359 yards and four touchdowns, with just one interception.

Once again his favorite receiver, Randy Moss, came through in a big way with three receptions, three touchdown receptions, and a total of 163 yards on the day.

> "I know my place in the offense. You need one yard; I'll give you three. You need five yards; I'll give you three."
>
> Leroy Horde, Vikings running back

Chris Carter also had a big day with seven receptions, totaling 135 yards, and one touchdown reception. These two receivers accounted for all four of Cunningham's scoring passes, as well as most of his total yardage on the day.

All of the above are pretty amazing statistics in themselves, but the true breakaway performance I saw came from running back Leroy Hoard. He literally powered his way through Dallas defenders and found the end zone twice. Usually a Viking power runner, he was responsible for both a 12- and a 50-yard run. Not letting it get to his ego, he is reported as saying, "I know my place in the offense. You need one yard; I'll give you three. You need five yards; I'll give you three."

Next week fans will see a Viking/Bears rematch. Coming here with a record of 3-8, they are a team who is capable of winning games and, in spite of their dismal record, have had reasonable success against the purple. You can look for them to take advantage of Jake Reed's absence, as well as the likely absence of Robert Smith.

Before I go, I believe there was one other game worthy of comment here in this providence of the Packers. For those of you who retained a copy of my review from the last time they played, you will notice that I not only called the Vikings repeat victory over the Pack, but I allowed myself to be quoted.

Well, Brett Favre's little tantrum on the field during Sunday's game only serves to further emphasize my belief that something has gone horribly awry with the beloved green and gold.

Vindication is so sweet, but the tactful thing seems to be to not mention it, so I won't dwell. Truly, though, I couldn't imagine a post-season without the Packers; so believe it or not, I wish them the best of luck.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Hockey

Nov. 19

UW-Stout outshot UW-River Falls, 40-27, but still came up on the short end of a 4-2 decision Thursday at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

The Blue Devils held a huge 17-4 bulge in shots in the third period, and Shane Maher closed the gap to 3-2 three minutes into the third period. The Falcons wrapped up the game with less than a minute remaining when Shane Bengston recorded an empty net goal.

After a scoreless first period, the Falcons scored three goals in the second period to secure the win. Jared Anderson scored four minutes into the stanza on a power play, but Stout answered back when Andy Anderson tied the score with assists from Matt Romaniski and Kevin Aube.

River Falls scored two goals within a minute of each other around the 15-minute mark of the period.

Stout goalie Ben Plester turned away 23 shots, while the Falcons' Brady Alstead stopped 38.

Nov. 20

UW-Stout looked like they were going to make it a game when Graham Lomen scored an unassisted goal five minutes into the second period to make the score 3-1 in the game against UW-River Falls. But River Falls roared back with six unanswered goals to hand the Blue Devils a 9-1 loss at River Falls on Friday.

The Falcons chased goalie Todd Sether after five goals and shelled Ben Plester for four goals.

River Falls scored three goals in the first quarter, three in the second, and four in the third quarter. The Falcons' Jeff Bernard scored a hat trick, putting in one goal in each period.

Dec. 1

UW-Stout drew first blood, but UW-River Falls stemmed the low and went on to win 5-2 at River Falls.

Stout's Luke Murray took a pass from Kevin Aube and Tom Schaffner to score at the 10:57 mark of the first period. The Falcons took advantage of a power play five minutes later when Bryan Bengston scored unassisted to tie the score.

The Falcons scored two goals in the second period, but Stout came back with Mark Corbett's goal, assisted by Graham Lomen and Andy Anderson just before the break to pull to 3-2.

River Falls put the game on ice in the third period when Corey Martinson scored his second goal of the night and Carl Boben ended the scoring with five minutes remaining.

Stout returns home Friday, Dec. 4 to host St. Olaf College at 7:30 p.m. in a non-conference contest.

Women's Cross Country

UW-Stout's Katie Jacobson and Katy Olsen wrapped up their collegiate cross country careers by earning All-America honors Saturday, Nov. 21 at the NCAA Division III Cross Country Championships hosted by Dickenson College in Carlisle, PA. Jacobson finished 14th with 18 minutes, 24.92 seconds, while Olsen came in 23rd at 18:36.21.

Jacobson earned All-America honors both in the NCAA and with the Cross Country Coaches Association (CCCA), while Olsen's All-America award came from the CCCA. The top 15 finishers are awarded All-America by both organizations, while places 16-35 are given CCCA awards. Both Jacobson and Olsen earned All-America honors last year.

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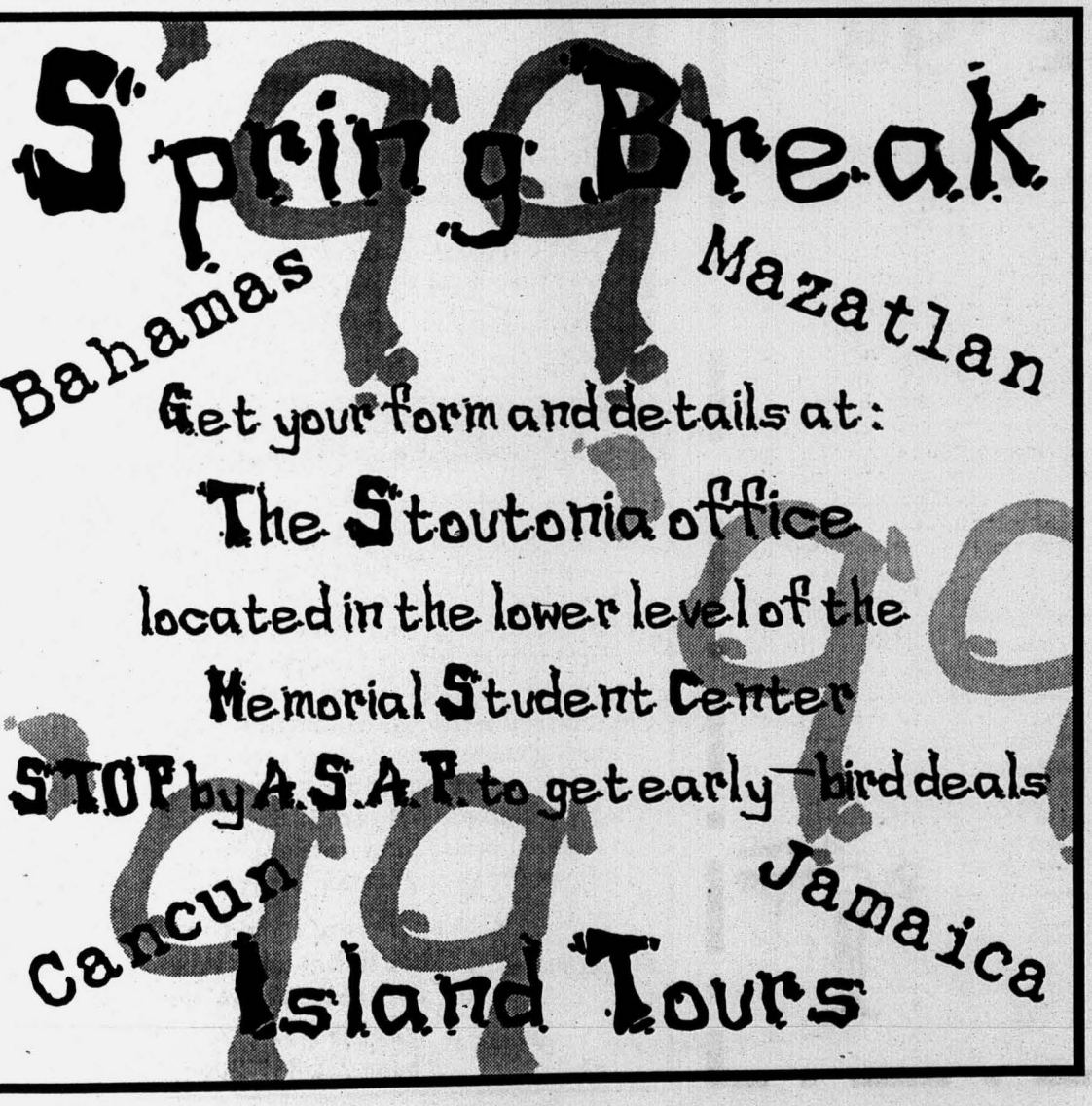
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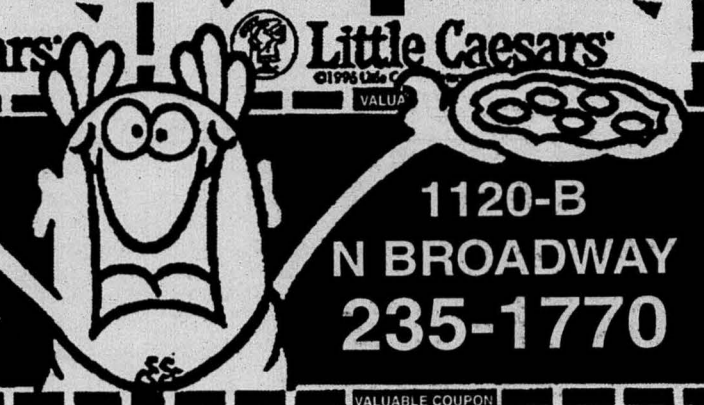


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Mall store a student run success

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

For the eighteenth year in a row, UW-Stout Marketing Education majors and Menomonie High School students have joined together to open the model store.

The model store project is a required class for all Marketing Education majors. In the class, students learn about project methods as a tool for teaching skills and authentically assessing their students. Stout students are divided into sales, promotion, operations, and human resources groups according to their interests and skills. Each group has two group leaders and two store co-coordinators are also chosen.

From there, students travel to Menomonie High School and teach Al Marotz's marketing class fundamentals of opening a store. Students go through interviews and are placed, with the Stout students in one of the four groups.

The teams then begin to complete, in a very short time, all of the steps involved in opening a store. The sales team drafts contracts and visits businesses seeking goods on consignment; the human resources group interviews, schedules, and makes the policy manual; the promotion group sends press releases and coordinates the grand opening ceremony; and the operations group handles inventory and money flow for the business. Many other duties are also included in each group and creativity is welcomed and encouraged to obtain merchandise and increase sales every year.

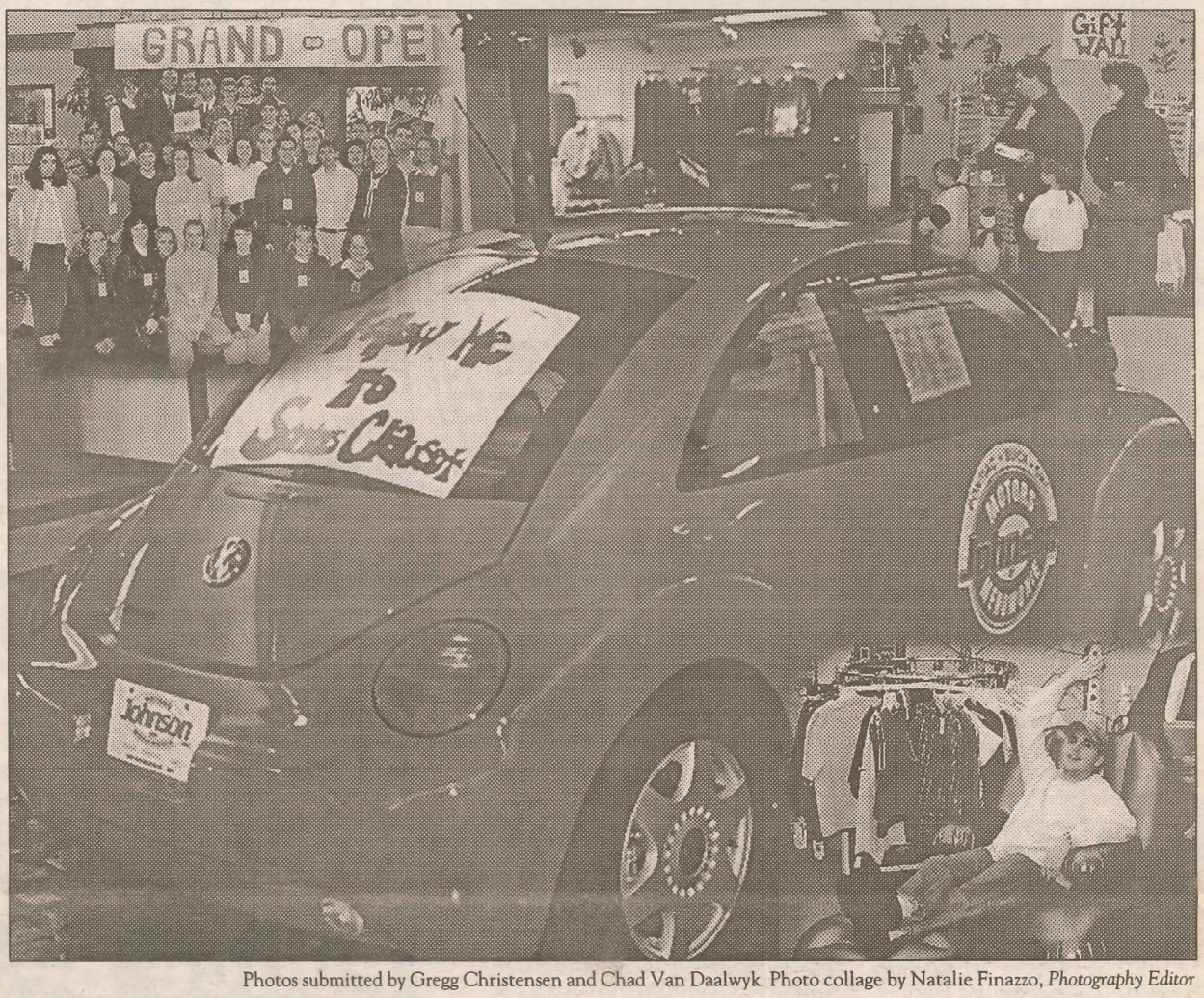
This year's store is located in the Thunderbird Mall and is called Santa's Clauset. Over $20,000 in merchandise was given to the store to sell on consignment from over 30 area businesses. Members of the sales team were also able to secure a new Volkswagen Bug and a snowmobile for the store, pushing inventory to over $40,000. The store is only open for one week in December and usually sells between $3,500 and $4,000 in merchandise.

Dr. Carol Mooney, Program Director for the Marketing Education major at Stout, has been involved with the project for 11 years and believes the model store is of great benefit to both the Stout students and the students from Menomonie High School.

"The model store is a project that involves a real working relationship with kids. Our students see what high school students can and will do when they are challenged, motivated and given an 'ownership' opportunity," said Mooney. "The model store encourages students and strengthens self-confidence and esteem."

Dave Kieker and Chad Van Daalwyk were voted by their

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Photos submitted by Gregg Christensen and Chad Van Daalwyk Photo collage by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

A 1998 VW Bug in the Thunderbird Mall draws shoppers to the student run store, Santa's Clauset. Stout marketing students directed the development of the yearly store and worked the register for its week long run. Coordinators Chad Van Daalwyk and Dave Kiecker lead the group in what they hope will be another money-making year.

Parking Appeals Board faces student criticism

by Ted Thurston, *Staff Reporter*
Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

A student member of the Stout Parking Appeals Board has been making waves on campus, claiming the board treats student appeals unfairly.

Glenn Perry is a non-traditional student, part-time Dunn County deputy sheriff, and Parking Appeals Board member who believes the law is not black and white; the appeal process is often in the gray.

"I have been on the Appeals Board for about a month and although that is not very long,I have come to believe there is a definite bias leaning toward the faculty and staff," Perry said in a letter to the Stoutonia.

He cited several examples of unfair treatment, each of which he felt would have been handled differently with a Stout faculty or staff member. "...A student that not only appealed her ticket but showed up to present her case was in my mind treated unfairly and not with the same consideration that a teacher or faculty member was."

Perry cites two incidents involving faculty appeals favoritism. The first involves a student parked in a zone that needed a special permit. The student had received verbal authorization from authorities there and went inside to get the permit. When he returned, his car was already ticketed. The appeal was not dismissed. Perry also cites a situation in which a faculty member had borrowed a university owned vehicle. Authorities issued a verbal warning after first sighting the vehicle. Later on the vehicle was given a written warning, but no ticket.

Parking Coordinator, Keith McCarten,thinks the current system is working. "The simplest, clearest parking system possible is the most effective," he said. But he believes there are occasional exceptions. "Other goals of the university may occasionally supersede the goals of the parking office," he said. He stands by the Parking Office's policies and the fines they impose. "Fines should never be to collect revenue. They should only be as

Please see Parking on page 2



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

An unsuspecting motorist is receiving a parking ticket on campus. The appeal process can be a lengthy and often frustrating one, but for one board member, the problems only begin there.

Drastic crime laws enacted

by Jasmine Hollyfield
Chief Copy Editor

Starting in September of this year, there are a few new laws in place regarding the reporting of campus crime statistics.

These higher education amendments allow campuses to disclose disciplinary referrals for alcohol, drug, and weapons violations. Manslaughter and arson have been added to the categories schools must disclose, and reporting of hate crimes has been expanded.

Statistics will be disclosed in four categories, on campus, non campus (fraternity and sorority houses), public property, and residential facilities for students (residence halls, apartments). As a result, all schools will be required to maintain a public police log of all reported crimes.

The U.S. Department of Justice has increased its involvement as well. They have granted millions of dollars of funding to universities. $1,000,000 has been authorized to conduct a study on how colleges respond to complaints of sexual assault. This study will be conducted by the Departments of Justice and Education. Another grant has authorized the sum of $5,000,000 (for the fiscal year 1999) to be dedicated to the study of binge drinking. In addition, schools deemed to have successful programs reducing binge drinking will be given up to $750,000.

Two new laws regarding alcohol and drug violations have also been enacted. Schools are now able to release to parents of students who are under the age of 21 information about alcohol or drug related disciplinary violations. This does not mean that universities are required to release this information, only that they are now able to. There have been some mixed feelings about this new law, considering the record number of freshmen Stout has enrolled this year. "I have a real problem with my parents knowing. Not because I think my parents would be upset. Just because I think that you should take responsibility for your own actions. Your parents can't be solving your problems. You're an adult now," said junior, Ben Garvens.

The newest law to catch students' eyes, however, is concerning drug convictions.

Students convicted of various drug offenses will lose their student aid eligibility for specified periods of time. This drug violation does exclude alcohol and only applies to state or federal drug charges. In order to lose financial aid, students must actually be convicted of a drug offense. This offense can take place anywhere in the United States. It

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State joins lawsuit; smokers pay

by Rachel Maquire
Staff Reporter



Photo by Rod Sauskojus, *Staff Photographer*

Smokers are taking a shot to the wallet this month as cigarette prices jumped in the wake of a 45 cent per pack increase in wholesale prices.

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company and Phillip Morris U.S.A., the nation's two largest tobacco companies, decided to raise prices on cigarettes after a $206 billion tobacco lawsuit with 48 states. The lawsuit resolved states' claims for providing health care for sick smokers.

Smokers are about to get hit with a double whammy. Not only have the prices gone up, but they will be rising again come the New Year, due to a 15 cent per pack federal tax increase on cigarettes that is part of the new federal tax law recently signed by President Clinton.

According to an article in the Washington Post, an economic analysis performed by the council of Economic Advisors and the Treasury Department for the Clinton Administration, estimates that the purposed settlement may increase in the price by 62 cents per pack. Coupled with the new federal tax hike, the administration study estimates that the overall increase in the price of cigarettes may be as much as 77 cents per pack.

Will that be enough to dissuade some smokers from lighting up? According to the economists, the answer is "yes!"

The administration study estimates that at least 10 million fewer adults will smoke by the year 2002 due to the price increase resulting from the tobacco settlement. The sharpest decline would be among college-age adults.

Although smoking among college students has increased in recent years, the settlement will most likely reverse this trend. The Post article quoted a senior administration official as saying, "The one thing we know for a fact is, if you raise the price, it will have an impact on youth smoking."

Cigarette prices have already risen throughout Menomonie. Julie Zensli, an employee at Bonkers, claims the price increase on cigarettes has had little impact on cigarette sales so far. Zensli believes that in the long run many smokers may, if anything, switch to cheaper brands.

This seems to be a fairly common feeling among student smokers here at Stout. Andrea Paocha, a sophomore, has been smoking for several years now and feels the price increase is more of a nuisance than anything. "I'm not going to quit just because the price has increased."

The cigarette price increase, along with the January tax, will raise the price of cigarettes about 50 percent. A carton of Marlboros will cost about $30, up from about $20. A smoker with a pack-a-day habit will pay about $370 a year more for cigarettes after January.

Holiday jingles muted this year

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

For the past 15 years, Menomonie has had Christmas music piped throughout the downtown area. That is, until this year. Due to complications, the festivities were canceled, and an alternate plan is in the works for next year.

According to the Main Street of Menomonie, the wires needed to carry the music weigh down the existing wires on the telephone poles. Since these poles already have Christmas wreathes on them, the extra weight would permanently damage the telephone wires. To solve this problem, a new configuration of the existing shoe box wires must be designed.

The Downtown Merchants Association began the megaphone program over 15 years ago so that the residents of Menomonie could enjoy Christmas music while shopping downtown. Although the music can be heard from blocks away, it originates from Broadway and Main streets.

In past years, these megaphones have played Christmas music classics such as Patsy Cline records.

Some students, especially those that live in the dorms on north campus, feel that the music is annoying, because the records skip at times, and there is no escaping the sound when walking downtown. In addition, the music is played all day long throughout the holiday season. Needless to say, these students are relieved that the music has stopped. Others appreciate the effort done to make Menomonie more merry and hope that the program is brought back next year.

New laws

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is retro-active until Oct. 7, 1998.

The exact repercussions of this law have yet to be determined by the Department of Education (DOE). Most likely, the DOE will run a student's name through their computer, and if they have a drug offense, assign them a code number that the Financial Aid Office would be able to identify.

"In general I believe that it's a good idea. I don't know if there will be benefits for the drug possession, financial aid tie. Overall, I have mixed feelings, but I definitely agree with the goals," commented Director of Security and Police Services, Dennis Shaw.

In the meantime, it's completely up to the DOE as to how to finalize the entire drug possession law. All students can do is wait for them to decide. Overall opinions of administration and the local police department have been positive, however, students' opinions have been leaning towards the negative side.

Parking/process questioned

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high as is necessary to encourage compliance with regulations," he also stated.

Perry feels differently. He will be proposing a survey parking plan which would involve opening faculty parking to everyone at a fraction of the cost. According to Perry, faculty pay $151/semester for a parking space, where as students pay $70 for a place that is over sold at at ratio of 2:1 per spot. He claims that at $80 to $85 per spot, everyone would have equal access to parking. He is now collecting campus opinion through a poll and plans to meet the chancellor sometime Monday next week to appeal the issue.

For Perry, the university Parking Office's stance is clear. "McCarten does not want to debate the issues," argues Perry. "The students are being misrepresented and they're doing it blatantly..."

The Appeals Board's decisions are final. So far this year 11,000 citations have been issued, 353 cases have been brought before the Board, 155 have been successfully appealed, 132 dismissed, and in 66 cases the fine was reduced.

Santa store

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peers in the project method class as co-coordinators for this year's store.

"The best way to educate students about retailing and owning their own business is to give them the opportunity to really do it," said Kieker. "It is a lot easier to motivate people when you tell them what needs to be done and not how to do it."

"I think the model store should be in every Marketing Education program. The model store has been an awesome learning experience," Van Daalwyk said. "It teaches leadership, business skills, and how to interact with high school students. I would do it again in a heartbeat."

Local McDonald's in trouble

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

The Menomonie McDonald's is making national headlines in the case of the chicken sandwich and the condom.

Veronica Minor said that late last year she bit into a sandwich inside the local restaurant and consequently sunk her teeth into a condom inside.

She has filed a lawsuit against the company, who is claiming no responsibility for the incident.

A manager at the Menomonie establishment called police to escort the Minor family outside after she reported the incident.

"She was horrified," Rick Pendergast, Minor's attorney, said. "She went in the bathroom and threw up."

McDonald's Corp. in Madison, Courtesy Corp. of Onalaska, and the corporations' insurance companies are defendants in the lawsuit filed Sept. 11.

"We have found her claims to be absolutely baseless," said defense lawyer Cory Nettles.

Damages in the negligence lawsuit are as of yet unspecified, Pendergast said.

Police Beat

Compiled by Jessica Yach from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Acidic odor

An acidic odor was reported at the Communications Center. After learning of the complaint, Campus Police found the source. The building was thoroughly checked. Nothing toxic was detected.

VCR theft

A VCR was reported stolen from room 175A in the Home Economics building on Dec.4. No brand, serial number, inventory number, or approximate value is known. A custodian reported it missing, the cable that was connected to the VCR was laying on the floor. No permission was given to remove the item.

Locker theft

On Dec. 5, between 2:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. a person(s) unknown gained entry to locker 212 at the Johnson Fieldhouse. Blue jeans and a shirt were removed. The complainant's wallet was sifted through, $35-$40 of cash was taken. A search revealed the locker was padlocked, but the top latch of the door was not in place. No tool marks were found to indicate forced entry.

Found shoe

One shoe was turned into University Police that was found in parking lot 4. No reports have been made regarding the property. The owner may identify lost property at Campus Police.

Phone card solicitors

A complaint from CKTO was reported on Dec. 5, 2:00 p.m. by phone, that solicitors were putting phone cards under doors. They were described as two 40-50 year-old males, unkempt. An area search was conducted, but they were not located.

Elevator stuck

A North Hall RA reported the elevator was stuck on Dec 5. One resident that uses a wheelchair was assisted by a friend and carried to the third floor. Both arrows were lit on the panel and a fairly loud banging noise came from inside the elevator shaft. Maintenance was contacted.

Bicycle stolen

A women's yellow bicycle was reported stolen from a bike rack by the LLC. The bike was left there for approximately one-two weeks. No permission was given to remove the bike. There are no known suspects.

University Notes

Compiled by Anja Farquharson from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Graduation Buffet

There will be a Graduation Buffet on Saturday, Dec. 19 at 11:00 in the Great Hall. There is limited seating, so reservations are recommended. For tickets and more information, call 232-1482 or go to Room 224 of the MSC. Tickets are $6.95 if purchased by Dec. 9 and $7.95 if purchased after Dec. 9.

Justin Roth

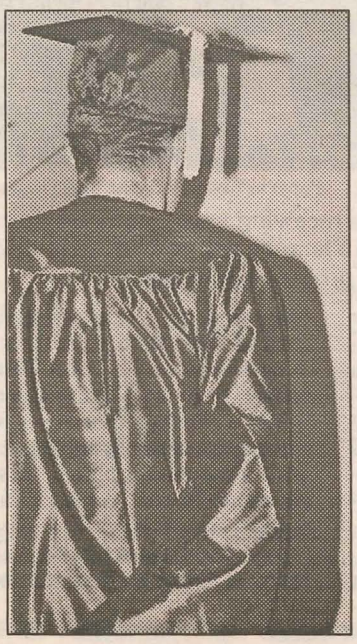
FYE Coffeehouse Music welcomes Justin Roth, Thursday, Jan. 28 at 8:00 p.m. in Huff's. The show is FREE.

Stress management

Campus Crusade for Christ is sponsoring Dr. Richard Swenson, Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7:00 in Ballroom A. Dr. Swenson will be discussing a practical approach to stress management. Dr. Swenson is the author of the book "Margins."

Ice Softball Tournament

Kappa Lambda Beta is hosting their 24th annual Ice Softball Tournament. It will take place on Feb. 5-7 from 8 a.m. until dusk. There is a $100 entry fee that is non-refundable. First place prize is $300, second place is $200, and third is $100. Contact either Jason Tremain at 233-0932 or Nate Bergh at 233-1183.



484 Stout grads will be honored at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 19 at the Johnson Fieldhouse. The Stout band and Symphonic Singers will supply the music. Hospitality & Tourism and Industrial Technology are the most popular majors this semester.

Congrats to the Grads!

Good luck on finals everyone...the pain will be over Dec. 23! Have a great break, safe holiday, and we'll see you Jan. 28, when the Stoutonia will publish next.

Editorial

Christmas in July

The holiday season is here once again (joy!). Same old, same old: tacky decorations, millions of people crowding the malls, sickening music, and parents fighting over ugly toys that their children probably don't even want and will be out of style before anyone can say, "Happy new year!"

It seems that with every year that passes the actions of people during Christmas get crazier. Why do we get so out of control during the holidays? Don't know, although there's an interesting theory from everyone's friend, Jack Handey. "Maybe in order to understand mankind, we have to look at the word itself: 'mankind.' Basically, it's made up of two separate words - 'mank' and 'ind.' What do these words mean? It's a mystery, and that's why so is mankind."



At the risk of sounding like a complete Scrooge, what's with celebrating holidays at least two months in advance? For cryin' out loud, can't one holiday get its day in the sun without the next overshadowing it? Each year Christmas keeps slowly inching its way into the month of November. No...wrong. Christmas belongs in December. Christmas decorations and music should not be seen or heard before Thanksgiving. Common sense should dictate that one. (Thanksgiving falls in November; Christmas is in December. November comes before December.) I'm just confused at to how setting up big plastic figures of Santa and his Christmas-time alter-ego Jesus helps to celebrate this oh-so-consumer-ridden holiday. I would like to hear an argument promoting them.

Walking around in this winter wonderland, observations can definitely be made concerning the two ends of the Christmas decorating spectrum. Either people are really excited about this holiday and have quite a knack for outdoor decorating (sic), or there are those that don't do anything at all. While driving by the formers' houses, laughter can be heard as visions of their electric bills dance through passers-bys' heads. However, those that choose not to decorate don't necessarily need to. Perhaps the lights from the neighbors' houses provides enough entertainment and joy. There could also be that over-achiever that lives across the street who likes to put up so many lights that planes actually start their landing approaches on your house.

Okay, okay, it's not just Christmas. In fact, upon further analysis, it's every holiday. Betcha' St. Patrick's Day stuff will be on sale at the end of January. Gosh, we sure love our holidays! Hey, here's an idea. Why not start celebrating birthdays ahead of schedule? Why, we could get twice the number of presents! Hhhmmm, sounds good. Let chaos reign! (Despite all of the annoying aspects that the holiday season seems to have, here's to wishing everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.)

Students' credit card usage out of control

Eddie Mullins
columnist

This time of year we all find ourselves spending a little more money than we should. The gift of giving is so important, right? When we are a little short on cash, we do what most people do - use the good old credit card or should I say credit cards. At the time you're charging your purchases it seems like a good idea. But when you get that bill, do you say "Oh my God, where is that money going to come from?" I remember a few years ago when I decided I would charge every last one of my Christmas gifts. Big mistake.

The average college student has 10 to 15 credit cards. How crazy is that? What a lot of students don't realize is that most universities sell the names and addresses of their students. They are an easy target for credit card companies, because they know they will get their money some way or another.

So what's the big deal? The mistakes that you make concerning your finances in the past can drastically affect your credit history for the next seven to 10 years. You need to be in control of your life and money - don't let your money or your credit cards control you. Some young adults spend as a means to live up to the standards that their parents are living at right now. That is just plain crazy.

I had a spending problem and this is what I did to get control: First of all I went through my house and threw away things that were from my past. By doing this, the things that are now important to me were put into perspective. What does this have to do with money? When there are things around from your past, you're not able to change - no matter what.

If there is one book I could recommend to you, it would be "The Nine Steps to Financial Freedom" by Suze Orman. It will change how you think about money. It's time to take charge of your life and your money!

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Letters

Dear Editor:

I was fascinated by the recent ad in the Stoutonia which denied the existence of the Holocaust and the gas chamber murders of millions of Jews, Christians, and other groups by the Nazis during World War II.

I was particularly interested in the fact that the good people behind the ad were offering $250,000 to anyone who could get them 90 minutes of television time to take their case to the nation.

Being Jewish, of course, I was particularly interested in the $250,000, so I've come up with what I think might be a practical idea. The problem is that the Holocaust is kind of a specialized topic, right? It's not something that all that many people are interested in anymore.

So my idea is this, why not do a 90 minute TV special that combines a variety of interesting subjects? We could start out with 10 minutes of Holocaust denial and then give another 10 minutes to the Flat Earth people, followed by the Creation Scientists, the UFO believers, those wonderful Christian Identity folks who insist that people of color are part of a separate, inferior creation, and so on. I know that I'd enjoy such a show, particularly the Holocaust denial part.

You see, our family Bible has several pages in it on which are listed all of the people who were born and died in the family since the late nineteenth century. Oddly, there's an entire page of names with a wide range of birth dates followed by "194?" I'd really appreciate any insight the Holocaust denial people might have into this mysterious notation. Just what is the significance of that question mark, I wonder? Why didn't the people involved keep better records?

Michael Levy
Department of English

From the editor:

I would like to make clear that the opinion in the Holocaust ad is not shared by the Stoutonia. According to our advertising policy, we reject ads that use defamatory words, labels, or incite violence. The ad, we felt, did none of these things. Rather, it incites debate and thought.

We will continue to use this policy in accepting ads. But our contention is <u>not</u> that the Holocaust never occured. That is solely the opinion of the advertiser.

Dear Editor:

Many Americans were outraged when President Clinton looked straight into the camera with an air of complete sincerity and lied about an affair with Monica Lewinsky.

Some of these same Americans applaud attacks on Iraq and accept as gospel the lies the government and media give them as reasons for the attack.

War also serves as a showcase for the new high technology weapons produced by military contractors. Some rationale must be given for the bloated military budgets and the tremendous government subsidy to high technology industry, which has supported the capitalist system since World War II. Since the Soviet Union dissolved, new enemies must be found or created.

The sanctions against Iraq have killed over two million Iraqis, 500,000 of them children. The use of depleted uranium in the Persian Gulf War has caused an alarming increase in cancers and other diseases in Iraq.

I think it is very ironic and sad that conservative Republicans, who are always complaining about immorality and lack of family values, find nothing at all immoral about what has been done to the Iraqi people for the benefit of the oil companies.

For those people who believe in the idea that the *Saddam showdown* is about weapons of mass destruction, these questions need to be asked.

1. Why during the Iran-Iraq war did the United States supply weapons to both sides and why did United States corporations supply Iraq with chemical and biological weapons?

2. Why during the past 30 years were the Kurds twice urged to revolt against Saddam Hussein and supplied with weapons by the CIA and then abandoned when it appeared they might be successful?

3. Why was Saddam Hussein originally put in power by the CIA, and why was he not removed at the end of the Persian Gulf War when the United States had overwhelming military superiority?

Are American imperialists simply too moral to follow the same policy of weakening troublesome countries? Give me a break!

Sincerely,
Gary Sudborough

Campus Slant

What was the worst Christmas lie your parents ever told you?



"When I asked how Santa went to every house in the world in one night, my parents told me that it was because of the time zone differences!"

Marie Krueger
Senior
Psychology



"My parents told me on Christmas Eve that they weren't actually my parents and that I was offspring of Santa and his reindeer."

Todd Jesness
Senior
Psychology



"When I was six, my parents told me that if I smoked pine needles and banana peels I'd really feel the Christmas spirit!"

Mark Dix
Junior
Art Education



"The biggest lie is when my parents told me it wasn't how much it cost, rather the thought that counts."

Mike Campbell
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Happy, happy holidays from the entire Stoutonia staff!

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Holiday Greetings

Holiday greetings to all UW-Stout students from the university.

We wish everyone a safe trip home, and best wishes
for a very happy holiday with your family and friends.
We look forward to seeing you back on campus in 1999.

Charles W Sorensen
Chancellor, UW-Stout

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News and Notes

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Access to Learning Initiation Fee

Whereas, the 29th Congress of the University Student senate of the Stout Student Association of the University of Wisconsin Stout recognizes the students benefit from hands on learning;

Whereas, the cost for lab intensive programs exceeds budgetary limits;

Whereas, the classroom labs have limited hours and are frequently understaffed;

Whereas, the students benefit from work experience programs;

Whereas, Stout's average class sizes are generally higher than the UW System average;

Whereas, this money 5% of tuition will stay on campus and have a direct impact on classroom experiences;

Whereas, the student's of UW-Stout will benefit directly from the dollars generated by the Access to Learning Initiation Fee in the aforementioned areas;

Whereas, child care for students on campus would be affordable if funded;

Be it resolved, that the University student Senate supports an Access to Learning Initiation Fee based on the following criteria:

• During the time frame, no new additional on-campus tuition requests will be considered. This does not preclude UW System, Board of Regents, Legislative requests or mandates, and campus segregated fees.

• Students will be involved in the Access to Learning Initiation Fee allocation process. A committee composed of the following will be formed:

- SSA President
- Four graduate students from each college, appointed by SSA
- Six undergraduate students from each college, appointed by SSA
- Four deans
- Chair, Faculty senate
- Chair, Senate of Academic Staff
- Assistant Chancellor for Budget, Planning, and Analysis
- Provost (recommended co-chair)

• The Chancellor will appoint a Committee to look at the area's identified by the senate and make a recommendation to the senate no later that the 3rd week of the 2nd quarter of 2nd semester for the senate's approval of the actual dollars for the designated areas. All fees will be spent in designated areas only.

Therefore be it finally resolved, that the University Student Senate of the Stout Student Association supports the implementation of the Access to Learning Initiation Fee (5% of resident base tuition rate) in order to continue to enhance the learning environment at UW-Stout.

Passed

Main Motion
Moved by: Financial Affairs Committee

This motion has two parts:

Part I

We, the student senate, move to set the segregated fee rate for the 1999-2000 fiscal year at $1.58 per credit with the assumption that the segregated fee will then be set at $1.83 for the 2000-2001 fiscal year and at $2.08 for the 2001-2002 fiscal year which would be an increase of 21% each year over the next three years.

Part II

We, the student senate, move to set the segregated fee rate for the 1999-2000 fiscal year for the fixed rate of $2.08 per credit. This is a 63% increase from last years rate.

Chancellor may choose the option he feels most appropriate. The Senate would like to add it's support to the first option.

Now Hiring: Positions for SSA

The Director of Public Relations (Paid):

1. Reports to the U.S.S.
2. Attends the scheduled meetings of the U.S.S. The Director of Public Relations has table privileges but no voting power.
3. Attends the SSA Executive Board Committee. Has one voting privilege.
4. Cannot hold any other major office than his/her delegate position.
5. Chairs the Public Relation Committee of the U.S.S.
6. Develop and administer public relation promotion for the SSA with the approval of the executive board and/or the U.S.S.
7. Shall oversee all Public Relations to the University community or other outside media sources.
8. Coordinate the Who's Who award.
9. Coordinate the SSA Spring Awards Banquet.
10. Submit press releases to the campus newspapers and display advertisements.
11. Shall post and keep weekly office hours.
12. Coordinate the Medallion Awards.

Responsible for all name tags, badges, business cards, and paper supplies (letterhead, envelopes, etc.)

ALL Campus Senator

The duties of these Senators shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Represent and serve as a resource to off-campus students on SSA issues.
2. Attend U.S.S. meetings.
3. Serve as a student representative on at least one (1) Shared Governance Committee.
4. Report to the U.S.S. on issues of importance from Shared Governance Committees.

Gender Issues Senator

Gender Issues Senator whose duties include, but not be limited to:

1. Serve as a resource to the University community on issues related to gender.
2. Assist the Director of Diversity and Diversity Committee in organizing programs relating to gender issues.
3. Represent the SSA on Shared Governance and U.S.S. ad-hoc committees relating to gender issues and/or safety.
4. Attend United Council and represent the University at Women's Issues meetings.

Multicultural Affairs Senator

Multicultural Affairs Senator whose duties include, but not be limited to:

1. Serve as a resource to the University community on issues related to multicultural students.
2. Assist the Director of Diversity and Diversity Committee in organizing programs relating to multicultural issues.
3. Represent the SSA on Shared Governance and U.S.S. ad-hoc committees relating to multicultural issues.
4. Act as a liaison between students of ethnic, racial, multicultural, international, physically challenged, and non-traditional students.

Any Questions Please Contact Vice -Presider t
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Getting prepared for winter driving

by Keri Schermerhorn
Staff Reporter

With winter on the way, many students will be traveling home for the holidays. Whether to Chippewa Falls or Chicago, it is important to prepare oneself and the car for the journey.

According to the University of Idaho, travelers should take the following precautions.

Before even leaving, conduct a thorough winterizing check, including the ignition system, battery, lights, tires, cooling system, exhaust system, heater, brakes, wiper blades, defroster, antifreeze, and oil.

Also, a winter storm kit should be assembled, containing: blankets or sleeping bags, matches and candles, facial tissue, paper towels, extra clothing, including hats, mittens and boots, high calorie non-perishable food, compass, road map, knife, first aid kit, shovel, a sack of sand, flashlight, booster cables, tools, and flares.

The next tip is to select alternate routes in case the route usually taken isn't passable. Also, make sure someone knows where the driver is going, when they have left, the time they are supposed to arrive, and what route is planned to be taken.

When traveling, listen to the radio so the latest weather information is known and prepared for, drive defensively, and try to travel with another person, preferably in a caravan.

Before leaving, make sure to fill the gas tank completely. This will prevent the car from running out of gas, of course, but also gives enough fuel to run the motor and heat the car in the event that it should become stranded.

If while traveling, a storm is encountered that is particularly severe, seek shelter immediately.

If trapped in a blizzard while traveling, stay calm and avoid overexertion and overexposure. Trying to shovel the car out or pushing could cause a heart attack. Likewise, don't leave the shelter of the car. It is easy to become disoriented while walking around in a blizzard. It may be possible once again, to risk exposure or not be able to find the way back to the car.

Because freezing, wet snow can seal the windows and doors in the car and can also block exhaust pipes, it is very important to keep fresh air in the car to protect against suffocation or poisoning. Make sure to keep a downwind window cracked.

Keep warm by clapping hands together and moving arms and legs vigorously. If one were to stay in a single position for very long, there may be a risk of frostbite.

Keep the dome light on at all times so passersby can spot the car. Signal with the horn occasionally. It can be heard for as far as a mile on quiet roads.

If the winter storm kit is inadequate, remember that parts of the car can be used for emergency tools. For example, hubcaps can be used as shovels, seat covers as blankets, floor mats to prevent drafts and shut out the wind and cold, and oil can be burned in a hubcap as a smoke signal.

By paying attention to the above winter survival tips, the drive may be a little safer and the driver's life might be saved.



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When driving in the winter months, remember to pack the essential equipment to bring on the journey. In the long run, these simple items will greatly increase the chance of survival in a serious snowstorm.

Vaccination may harm instead of cure

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

It is a daily battle for Patty Engler as she fights to reach people with her message. Each night consists of writing to Congress, calling Date Line, and emailing to anyone who can give her more information.

Her son, Bill Engler, is one of the 2.4 million active duty military personnel and reservists who have been required to be inoculated with the vaccine against anthrax. UW-Stout students, such as Angela Sarauer who joined the National Reserves, also face taking the drug in the near future.

Due to the unknown side effects and questionable effectiveness of the drug, Engler is one of the small percentage of soldiers who initially refused to take the vaccine. Then the order came. Soon the few who refused were facing demotion, loss of benefits, and even dishonorable discharge. The government had put them in what may be the biggest predicament of their lives: to face dishonor or to face the unknown.

The vaccine, said to counteract the adverse effects of the weapon, has been issued in a series of six shots over an 18 month period.

Currently used in biological warfare, anthrax is a deadly disease originating from plant-eating animals. The most serious of the three types, inhalation anthrax, is due to inhalation of the spores. The process starts by infecting the lymph nodes and spreads to the medialstinal structures resulting in shock, coma, and death.

When tested on Gruinard Island during World War II, the spores remained active 45 years later and the land unhabitable. It also happens to be the easiest germ weapon to make and store. These factors combined make the disease a prime weapon to kill off millions.

Licensed by the Food and Drug Administration, the anthrax vaccine has been widely used since the 1970s. Scientists and experts continue to vouch for its safety. Yet, evidence has suggested FDA reports of quality control problems at the Michigan facility where the vaccine is produced.

There is also questioning of the actual effectiveness in protecting troops against airborne infection. Many different side effects have been reported and links have been made to the "Gulf War Syndrome." And the long term effects remain yet to be known.

Still the government order remains. The retribution of not following the order hangs over the heads of those who protest. The government feels that those who refuse to comply are in effect, breaking their contracts with their terms of service. When taking the vow, obeying lawful orders is a soldier's way of life. Taking the vaccination somehow falls under lawful.

If given the choice, Bill's mother, "would rather have him home safe without long-term unknown illnesses," she said in an interview with Pamela Powers.

This last week, Bill was forced with the decision to take the first shot. What this drug may do is unknown; however, Bill's choice has been made.

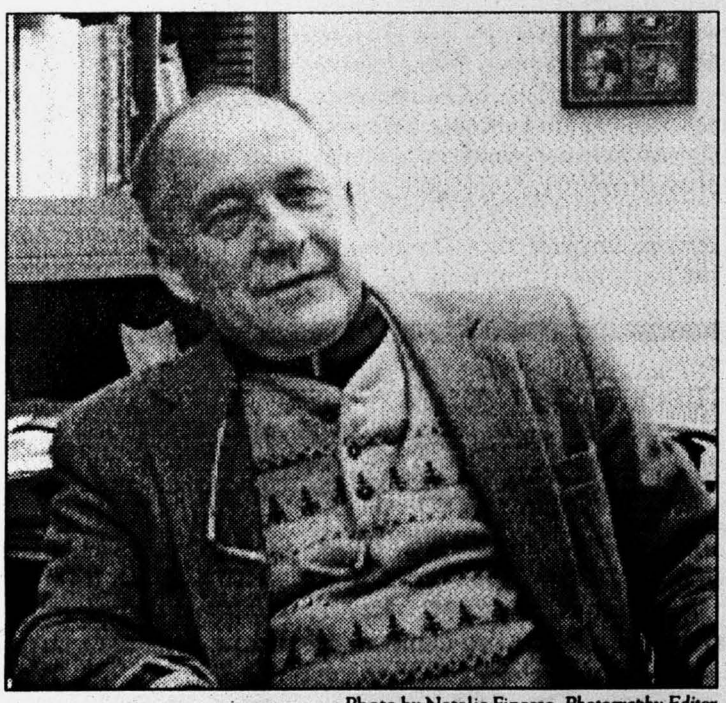


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Faculty Profile: Dr. Tom Modahl

by Alissa Bergstrom
Student Life Reporter

Over 30 years ago Dr. Tom Modahl was involved in a car accident that changed his life forever. Seven months in the hospital and a forgotten career had his future crashing down on him. He was faced with the unknown. This was where his new life began.

Originally attending the University of Minnesota-Duluth, hoping to obtain a job in industrial technology, Modahl's accident pointed him toward Stout and a career in vocational rehabilitation. For the past 26 years he has been a vocational rehabilitation professor and counselor here.

Along with teaching and counseling students, Modahl travels all over the country speaking at workshops. Over the course of his career he has delivered more than 200 speeches to disabled students. In 1994 he was voted Most Outstanding Graduate Faculty at Stout.

Modahl's effectiveness in the classroom stems from his belief that teaching is a two-way street. He enjoys challenging his students to grow and develop by encouraging them to achieve excellence. "My philosophy is that everyone needs to have balance in their life. I think it is important to be a well-rounded individual," Modahl said.

His students seem to have many good things to share about him. When talking to one, a good grasp of his teaching style is portrayed. "He tells you personal stories to give examples...he is more than a textbook teacher." By using examples, the student feels the knowledge gained in the classroom is applied to real life.

Now, it seems the path he chose has been the right one. His accident now a shadow of a reminder, he now hikes in the mountains and cross country skis. Later on, he will travel extensively and take the time to do even more of these activities.

And his academic plans? In the future he plans to continue vocational rehabilitation training and become more involved in research in his field.

Eventually Modahl plans to retire, but until then he prefers to take each day as it comes. "I have decided to only worry about that which I can control. When I realized that I am not in control of anything, I stopped worrying."

Stoutonia Christmas Wishes



Dear Santa:

We at the Stoutonia have all been very good this year (except Nicole). And all of us have been very nice (not including Jasmine who has been very naughty). None of us have cried (well Corey cried a few times. but who's counting). And all of us have watched out. Here's our list. so check it twice. Beth will pout if we don't get these small requests. If you deliver to our office. we will leave you something edible (as long as Stacy doesn't bake it. but she can leave the milk).

Stacy wants a sledgehammer so she can hit herself and others over the head. All Kevin wants is a Camaro and a mobile home. Travis wants a good home for his...uh...rabbit. Nicole wants 12 rounds in the ring with Henry Tyler - winner takes Stout. Corey is praying for the wounds to heal (both emotionally and physically). And Beth could use a new Adam Sandler line (the swan jokes just aren't funny anymore). Natalie could use more shiny wrapping paper. (We hear she's got a fetish.) Sweet chocolate-covered Jasmine will deliver world peace and harmony. Kelly is wishing on a star. from afar. for an electric guitar (and some lessons). Anja really desires more Jesus. Could you please leave Lisa a guy with a Camaro and a mobile home. Mike would like a week off and for someone to bring the finest meats and cheeses in the land. Shawn thinks another printing problem would be cool. These are our small requests. but while you're at it. could you also send us more employees?

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A very concerned holiday message goes out to Bill Siedlecki, Stoutonia guru and past advisor-

We miss you and are anxiously awaiting your return. You've been in our thoughts the whole way through. Get better soon Bill.

Holiday Wishes, the Stoutonia

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week, Chloe unsuccessfully gives her matchmaking skills a shot. Wanting her roommate to impress a guy, Chloe decides it's time to put on the moves a male would be unable to resist. Well, they were moves alright. After attempting to dance in the street, her roommate trips over her foot and falls backward just feet from the guy she is trying to impress. Even worse, Chloe's friends think the fall was a premeditated plan on her part to undermine her roommate's progress. Oh, and Merry Christmas.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

Another weekend, another accident. No, my brakes didn't go out again. My car is fine, I'm just not too sure about my roommate.

It was Friday night and a designated girls' night out. Sick and tired of men and their views on how not to have meaningful relationships, all of us girls bonded together for a night of talk and beer.

We were dancing with all the obnoxious drunks at The Flame and quickly tired of the sweat and closeness of bodies. So, we went to O.B., and hey, guess what? All of the same obnoxious drunks that were grinding at The Flame stumbled into O.B. moments later. You know, I've been 21 now for long enough to catch on to this routine. You'd think I'd learn.

Pretty soon O.B. was a pandemonium of bottle holding people. I was starting to get claustrophobic. My roommate and I put two and two together and realized that if all of the people that were at The Flame came to O.B., then maybe The Flame was danceable. Luck must have been with us for about two seconds that night, because not only was the bar less crowded, the guy my roommate was hot over was standing by the door.

Let me take you to the beginning of the night to share with you a brief reminder I gave to my roommate before we picked up our first beer. I said, "If you see this guy tonight, you will go up to him and talk to him. You will not contemplate all night only to go home pissed off because you were too chicken to make the first move. This is the brink of the 21st century. We can clone people now for God's sake, this sure as hell means we can communicate with them."



I thought my logic was reasonable. It must have worked on her because she walked right up to this unsuspecting male and asked if he wanted to dance.

They chatted for awhile and then we all walked over to O.B. to face the inebriated numbers. He told her he would come back and talk to her later and the night went on. Well, as you know, all good nights have to come to an end. It's kind-of scary at times when the lights go on at bar-time and you get an accurate view of every person you couldn't see in the dark.

So, we were walking out of O.B., and what do you know, Mr. Hotty himself is standing right across the street leaning on the parked car that just happened to be our ride's. My roommate is frantically trying to figure out how to get his attention. "Leave it up to me," I confidently proclaim with a secret smile on my face. I grab my roommate and start twirling her around all the while singing *That Boy is Mine* by Brandy and Monica. We get up to the car, surely looking like professional dancers, not at all like drunk freshmen.

Just like that, our luck disappeared like the change in my father's pocket (I never took more than 50 cents at a time). I really couldn't tell you how it happened. All I can say is one minute I am seductively dancing and the next minute I am following my roommate on the short trip to meet the concrete. She happened to fall backwards and had no break from the fall. I tried to stop her, but it all just happened too quickly. Next thing I know, I have fallen on top of her. Yeah, leave it up to me.

Three of the guys that were with the guy my roommate was trying to impress came rushing over to help us up. "W-we're fine!" we both stammer. Heads down, we quickly get into the car and ride home. "Well, he definitely noticed you," I said. "Look on the bright side, at least I fell too."

We get home and I get out of the car. I start talking about how people make fools out of themselves almost everyday. I make up a few statistics and thought I was making her feel better until I realized she was still in the car. My roommate couldn't walk! Let me tell you, the trip to the emergency room wasn't any fun either. All this - and all I was trying to do was help a friend out.

Two days later I go to work and get scowls from people who used to be my friends. I try to be nice, and ponder why they have this attitude. As usual, one of them brings up the fact that they need to go on a date or at least meet someone. Attempting to be nice once more, I say, "I can set you up."

All of a sudden I have a group of people around me. I hear a shout above the crowd, "What are you going to do, trip her to get his attention?" And then another, "Or maybe you will just body-slam her down and say, "Hell with making it look like an accident."

I plead in my defense, "It wasn't intentional, I swear. I was only trying to get him to look at her. How did I know she was going to trip over my foot while we were dancing and hit the bumper of a car, falling backward onto the road?"

As people walked away, I heard a cook mumble, "God, I wonder what she does to her dates."

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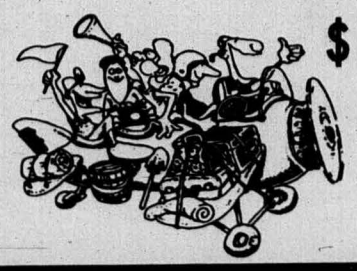
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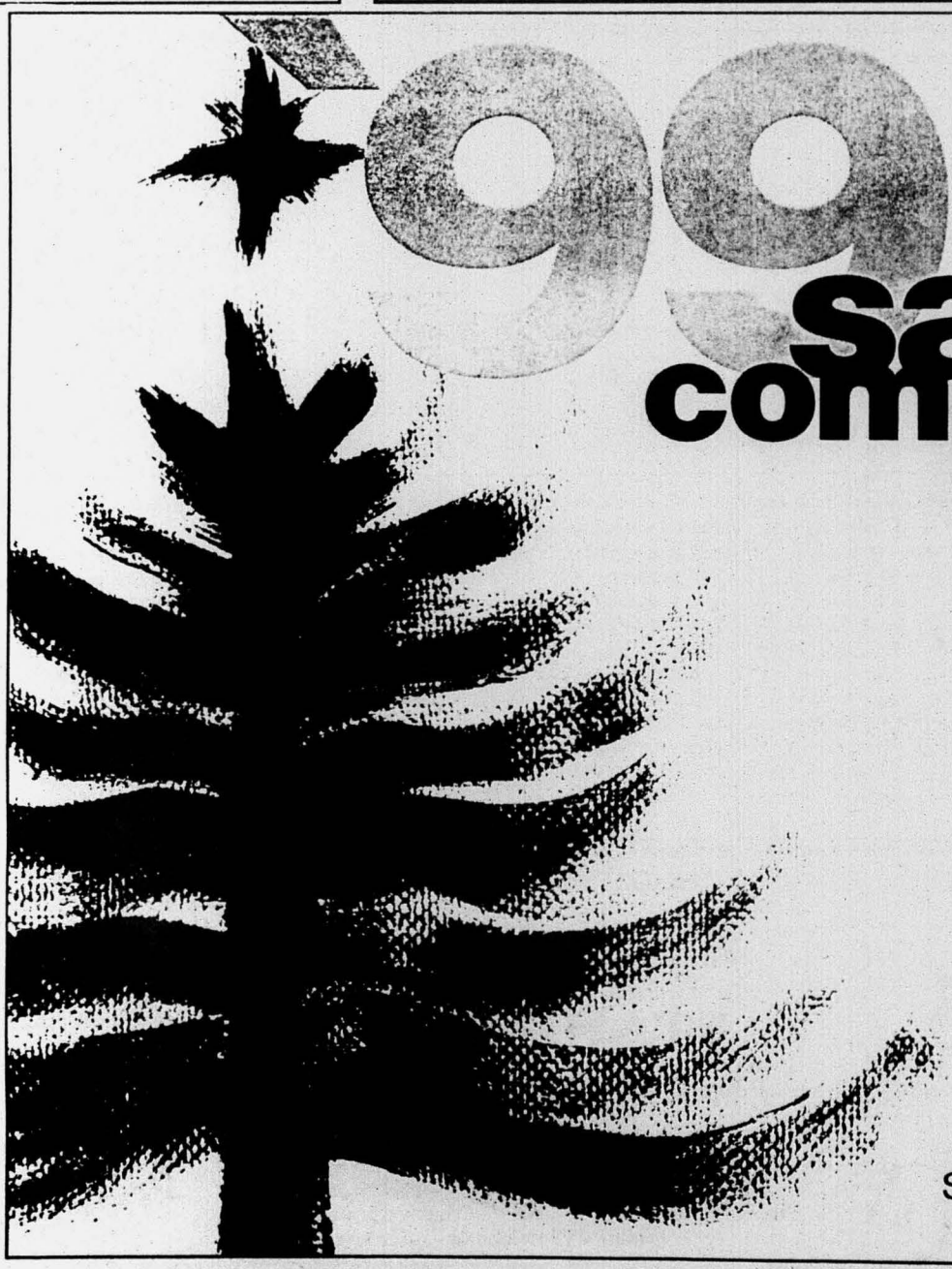
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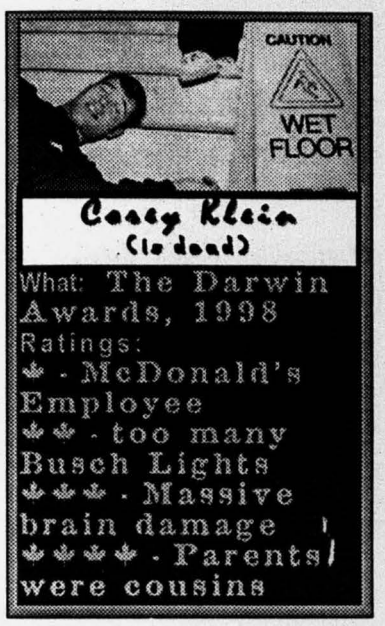
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Darwin Awards prove survival of the fittest

Well, another year has drawn to a close, and the holidays are approaching fast. But hold on, before we dive head-on into our Santa-toted goodies, let's take a few moments to honor this year's Darwin Award Winners.



What's that you say? You've never heard of the Darwin Awards? For all the newcomers, the Darwin Award is annually given to the person who provided the human gene pool the biggest service by being killed in the most extraordinarily stupid way. As always, the competition was a close one, as many contestants appeared to have practiced their whole lives to be nominated for the award.

So, without further ado: the Darwin Award nominees for 1998:

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In February, Santiago Alvarado, 24, was killed in Lompoc, CA, as he fell face-first through the ceiling of a bicycle shop he was burgling. Death was caused when the long flashlight he had placed in his mouth (to keep his hands free) rammed into the base of his skull as he hit the floor. Imagine the surprised look on his face!

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Four people were injured in a string of related bizarre accidents. Sherry Moeller was admitted with a head wound caused by flying masonry; Tim Vegas was diagnosed with a mild case of whiplash and contusions on his chest, arms, and face; Bryan Corcoran suffered torn gum tissue; and Pamela Klesick's first two fingers of her right hand had been bitten off. Moeller had just dropped her husband off for his first day of work and, in addition to a good-bye kiss, she flashed her breasts at him. "I'm not sure why I did it. I was really close to the car, so I didn't think anyone would see," she said later. However, cab driver Vegas did see and lost control of his cab, running over the curb and into the corner of the Johnson Medical Building. Inside, Klesick, a dental technician, was cleaning Corcoran's teeth. The crash of the cab against the building made her jump, tearing Corcoran's gums with a cleaning pick. In shock, he bit down, severing two fingers from Klesick's hand. Moeller's wound was caused by a falling piece of the medical building. I can't add anything other than how women get men into trouble.

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According to police in Dahlonega, GA, ROTC cadet Nick Berrena, 20, was stabbed to death in January by fellow cadet Jeffrey Hoffman, 23, who was trying to prove that a knife could not penetrate the flakvest Berrena was wearing. And these are the people who make up today's brightest, best army in the world.

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In Taos, NM, a woman went to a poison control center after eating three birth control vaginal inserts. Her English was so bad, she had to draw a picture describing how she thought she had poisoned herself. A translator arrived shortly thereafter and confirmed doctors' suspicions. Marie Valishnokov thought the inserts were some kind of candy or gum, being unable to read the foil wrappers. After the third one, she realized something was wrong when her throat and mouth began to fill with a sour-tasting foam. She ran to the Poison Control Center, only a few blocks away, where doctors were able to flush the foam from her mouth, throat, and stomach with no ill effects. Kids, just don't try this one at home.



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In February, according to police in Windsor, Ontario, Daniel Kolta, 27, and Randy Taylor, 33, died in a head-on collision, thus earning a tie in the game of chicken they were playing on their snowmobiles.

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In Guthrie, OK in October, Jason Heck tried to kill a millipede with a shot from his 22-caliber rifle, but the bullet ricocheted off a rock near the hole and hit pal Antonio Martinez in the head, fracturing his skull. Hey, there's a new invention; it's called A FLY-SWATTER!

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In Bremerton, WA, Christopher Coulter and his wife, Emily, were engaging in bondage games when Chris suggested spreading peanut butter on his genitals and letting Rudy, their Irish Setter, lick them clean. Sadly, Rudy lost control and began tearing at Chris's penis and testicles. Panicked, Emily threw a half-gallon bottle of perfume at the dog, which broke, startling Rudy, who leapt back, TEARING THE PENIS OFF. Doctors were able to reattach the organ after an eight hour surgery. First of all, what is he thinking, and second, why did she let him?

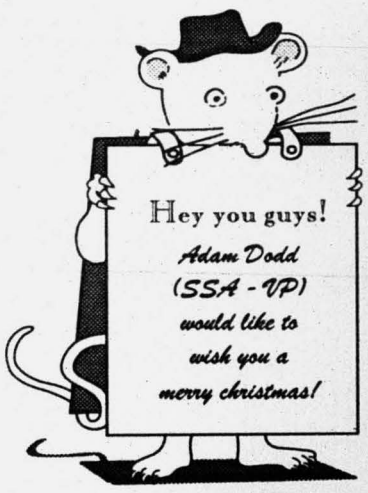
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Paul Stiller, 47, was hospitalized in Andover Township, NJ, in September, and his wife, Bonnie, was also injured, by a quarter stick of dynamite that blew up in their car. While driving around at 2 a.m., the bored couple lit the dynamite and tried to toss it out the window to see what would happen, but they apparently forgot to notice that the window was closed. Kids, once again, don't try this at home.

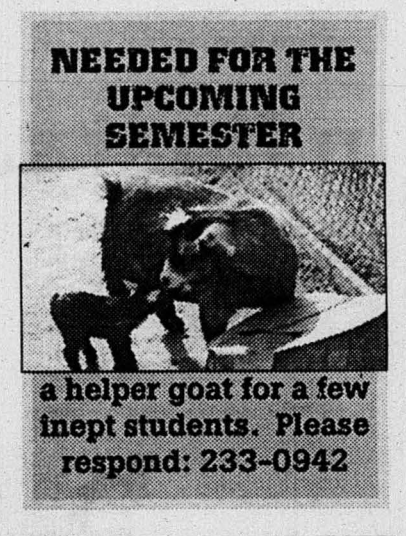
AND THE 1998 DARWIN AWARD WINNER IS:

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In Paderborn, Germany, overzealous zookeeper Friedrich Riesfeldt fed his constipated elephant, Stefan, 22 doses of animal laxative and more than a bushel of berries, figs, and prunes before the plugged-up pachyderm finally let fly - and suffocated the keeper with 200 pounds of poop. Investigators say ill-fated Friedrich, 46, was attempting to give the elephant an olive-oil enema when the relieved beast unloaded on him like a dump truck full of mud. "With no one there to help him, he laid under all that dung for at least an hour before a watchman came along, during that time he suffocated," Police Detective Erik Dern stated. I don't know how I'll exit this world, but it sure had better not be this way!



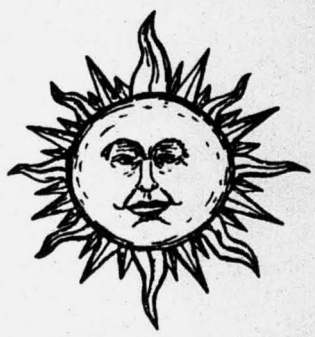




Horoscopes

For the week of Dec. 10, 1998 through Dec. 17, 1998

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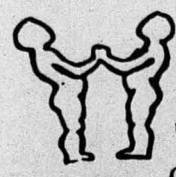




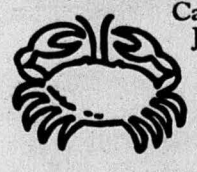
Aries (March 21 - April 19) Nobody ever seems to know the trouble you've seen, except for Bob, that is. You know, the quiet neighbor with the binoculars.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) People will tease you about wearing your golf shoes to class. Never mind them; you know you're cool.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Pretend you don't speak English today.



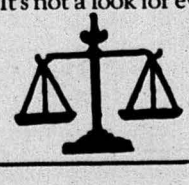
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) A good friend will stab you in the back this week. You'll spend hours wondering why and evaluate the situation over and over again. Then, you'll remember that your friend has the IQ of a sloth.



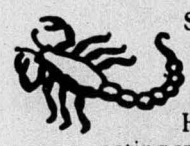
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You'll see *Star Wars* and become obsessed with it. People will agree to call you Luke Skywalker. There will be some grumbling, however, when you call others Chewie.



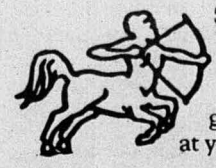
Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Time to develop new friendships and possibly get a new hairstyle. Personally, I like "wacky inventor" hairstyle, in which I wash my hair at night and go to bed with it still damp. It's not a look for everyone, though.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You'll continue to have the same lip spasms in which people will think you are impersonating Elvis. Some will laugh at you, while others will think you are a god.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Somehow you'll end up in a Hostess Ho-Ho eating spree. You'll have them for all five meals a day. Then one day you'll discover Little Debbie Oatmeal Cream Cookies. This will be the end of your Ho-Ho binge.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Everyone is going to laugh at you.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) You'll have an awful dream that your professor will be chasing after you in the hallway with the exam you flunked. Fortunately, you'll wake up. Later that day your professor will chase after you in the hallway with the exam you flunked.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) You'll admit today in front of everyone that you loved *The English Patient*. People will throw rocks at you.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Grandma sent you her favorite "surprise" bunt cake again. You know what that means.



The top movie picks of all time: Volume one

Top 100 movies

100. Backdraft
99. Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom
98. Toys
97. Top Gun
96. Aliens
95. Gremlins
94. Explorers
93. The Burbs
92. Conan the Destroyer
91. Rocky IV
90. Coming to America
89. Predator
88. Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure
87. Enter the Dragon
86. The Boy Who Could Fly
85. Devil's Advocate
84. Scent of a Woman
83. Rainman
82. Animal House
81. La Bamba
80. To Kill a Mocking Bird
79. The Jerk
78. Mad Max
77. E.T.
76. Silence of the Lambs

Hey movie maniacs, it's time for Phil's top 100 movies! If the American Film Institute (AFI) can do it, why can't I?

I've been wanting to do this for so long now, but holy crap, was it hard. It took me half a semester just to think of them, much less rank them from 1-100. It's hard to believe that I've seen more than 100 movies! Well, maybe not too hard, but do you realize that it would take me about eight and one-third days, without sleep, just to watch them all again?



Phil Shoetwedt

Phil has elected to give his top 100 picks of all time. This week's is the first in a series of four, movies 100-76.

Anyway, for the added element of suspense, I'll be doing this in blocks of 25 starting from the bottom. Mine's a bit more up to date than the AFI list, and because AFI didn't give reasons for picking their movies, here is a brief explanation of why I chose each particular movie.

100. Just squeaking into last place was the movie that gave a very realistic portrayal of the American firefighter. It gave me a new respect for the firefighting profession.

99. The second, and my favorite, of the Jones' trilogy. The best scene in this movie has to be the part when the voodoo chief pulls the still beating heart out of his follower.

98. *Toys* wasn't Robin Williams' best movie, but I liked it for its visual qualities and kid-like cinematography.

97. A classic of the 80s, this movie combined something for both sexes with its jet fighter air battles and its love scenes with girl-killer Tom Cruise.

96. The first action-thriller to have a female action hero, and definitely the best, so far, of the series. She may not look pretty, but that Sigourney Weaver can sure kick some alien tail.

95. This was the first movie that actually scared me as a child. With such landmark puppetry it deserves a spot on my countdown.

94. What kid didn't want to go into space in a rocket made out of trash and old carnival rides? It's unrealistic and child-like, but that could also describe me.

93. This movie really shows that you can never be too sure of those mysterious looking neighbors. It's a comedy, but really, how many people have lived next to mass murderers and never knew it!?!

92. Arnold in his beefiest state. This movie may have been ranked higher on my list if it weren't for Grace Jones and Wilt Chamberlain in the supporting roles.

91. You'd have to be un-American if you weren't rooting for Rocky to punch out that evil Russian. My favorite of the Rocky series, and definitely Sylvester Stallone's most memorable role.

90. Eddie Murphy and his shadow Arsenio Hall do a killer job showing their comedic flexibility, playing just about every character in this movie.

89. Another Arnold movie; in this one he's just as huge, and it's a little more violent than *Conan the Destroyer*.

88. Keanu Reeves' career-catapulting role; the plot is pretty pathetic, but that's what makes it great. I just don't know how AFI could have overlooked this one!

87. Bruce Lee, you are a kung-fu god!! It's Bruce Lee's defining role, and the fact that he died in the making of this movie adds some eerieness to it all.

86. It's a not so well-known movie, but that won't stop me from putting it on my list.

85. Keanu Reeves as a lawyer was a stretch, but Pacino's performance is what makes this film great. I mean, really, what lawyers don't sell their souls to the devil?

84. Back-to-back Pacino! Whoo-ahh!

83. Definitely-definitely a classic movie. Yeah-yeah, really shows Dustin Hoffman's versatility as an actor, def-definitely.

82. I know, how could I rank *Animal House* so low? Well, this is the only movie on the list that I haven't seen all the way through. I've only caught the last 10 minutes of it, but it showed promise, and if I left this movie out I'm sure I would receive a few death threats.

81. *La Bamba* is the best movie about the record business in the mid-20th century, but what really gets this movie on my list is the fact that it's a true story.

80. This film could have gotten in purely for its moral message. Plus, I liked the book and the cinematography was excellent.

79. I think *Dumb and Dumber* was modeled after this film. Steve Martin was made for this role. I laughed my butt off when I first saw it.

78. This is my favorite Mel Gibson movie and was definitely my favorite apocalyptic film. It was a purely original idea and seemed like a believable end to human civilization.

77. Two words, Spielberg - genius. It's got Drew Barrymore in her adorable little girl phase and friendly aliens; what's not to like?

76. This flick stepped all over *Kiss the Girls* and the rest of those kidnapper movies. Anthony Hopkins and Jodie Foster outdid themselves in making believable characters.

Well there's the first 25, love 'em or leave 'em. You're more than welcome to send me some feedback if you want; chances are I forgot a few.

Oh, and if anyone from the campus movie channel is reading this, I'm sure the campus wouldn't mind if you were to substitute some of these movies for those James Bond flicks we've all seen at least twice. Have a great break!

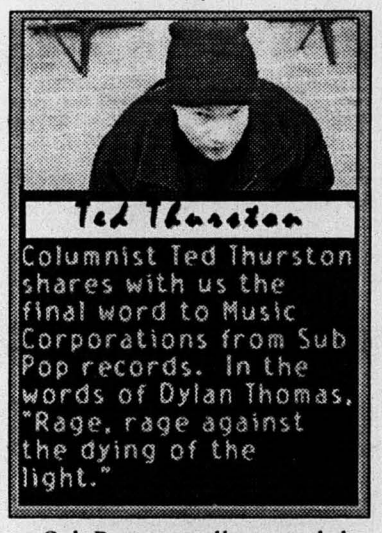
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In final scream, S>b P>p taunts music corps

The back page of *Alternative Press* music magazine features a full page ad of Ernesto "Che" Guevara burning the American flag with "Behead the aggressor" written in four languages.

Enthusiastic Cuban revolutionary Che sought to unify Latin American society through the victory of socialism after Castro granted him Cuban citizenship in 1959. Che assumed the role of economic leader of Cuba while denouncing capitalists as incapable of participating alongside the workers. His chief policy was to end Cuba's economic dependence upon the export of tobacco and sugar. Cuba's production increased, but it was not enough. Militias were formed to defend the revolution and ensure that children and workers were fed and clothed. Che politically sought a union with third world countries, feared by the U.S. because it would mean an end to U.S. interests in land estates in Latin America. Cuba planned to remain neutral to the influences of feuding Cold War powers and develop its own socialist society. After meeting with Khrushchev and ignoring warnings that the U.S was pushing Cuba towards Communism, Kennedy committed to the Bay of Pigs and in February of 1962 Castro declared the Revolution to be Marxist and the Cuban Missile Crisis ensued.

Sub Pop Records is being auctioned off to the highest bidder in what *Rolling Stone Magazine* describes as "the garage sale of the century." Sub Pop began with Bruce Pavitt's magazine at the University of Washington. The record label grew when the magazine began producing vinyl promo albums of the bands it featured. From the beginning Johnathan Poneman and Pavitt sought to loosen New York and Los Angeles' omnipotent grip over the events and phases of culture and the music industry.



Ted Thurston

Columnist Ted Thurston shares with us the final word to Music Corporations from Sub Pop records. In the words of Dylan Thomas, "Rage, rage against the dying of the light."

Sub Pop virtually turned the industry on its ear by promoting its own regionalism, through the Seattle invasion. Initially Sub Pop produced anti-art rock for people who are repulsed by art rock's pretentiousness.

Early albums include the Deep Six and Sub Pop 100 compilations, Green River's "Dry as a Bone" and Soundgarden's "Screaming Wife." Nirvana's seminal "Bleach" and the first Mudhoney's single *Touch Me I'm Sick* were released in 1988.

Albums were characterized by their black and white shot, and from the hip, painted motion-style covers. The label promoted itself through its use of photography by blowing up images and creating a mythology through their continuity.

Sub Pop's impending independent demise is the result of it becoming its own beast of burden. Like the label's artists uncomfortably moved from small venues and clubs into large stadiums, the growing label found itself supporting the ideals and dogmas of the record industry it initially opposed. Sub Pop's critical mass grew, its mythology imploded, and the image the listeners were used to changed.

"Behead the aggressor" is not only Sub Pop sputtering its dying breath against the industry, but also a statement to be considered in the context of our times. The oil industry's capitalist interests brought about our involvement in the Middle East and the escalations that have followed. Must so many give so much for so few?

Missing from the logo for Sub Pop are the vowels "u" and "o." The bands that made their million dollars didn't earn more than a fraction of it on Sub Pop. Sub Pop was the key to the Pandora's box of the Seattle invasion. The missing vowels serve as a reminder to the multi-platinum sellers and corporate monguls alike. You owe something to your heritage. The "sold the flannel crowd" should consider digging up some of their unreleased and forgotten works and giving Sub Pop listeners a final cup of that black oily tarry bottom of the barrel coffee and beer sound. As for capitalist America and its ilk, U O.



Photo courtesy of *Alternative Press*

In a final scream before being bought up into the conglomerates they raged against, Sub Pop records issued the above ad depicting Che Guevara's fury against an omnipotent capitalist U. S. A. The company's dying scream will be felt eternally across the globe.

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STOUTREACH

Gymnasts open new season with new look

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

If there is one word that could be used to describe the UW-Stout Gymnastics Team this season, this is it: *new*.

The team will begin their new season on Dec. 11 under their new Head Coach Jeff Richards. They will be sporting an almost entirely new team.

Richards is taking on his first head coaching job here at Stout this season, after spending eight years assisting Division I Southern Utah State's gymnastics program.

Richards was a diver in high school. It was not until the first semester of his first year in college that he discovered his interest in the sport of gymnastics. He began observing team workouts daily and took a gymnastics class during his second semester at Southern Utah State. The coaches at SUSU took him under their wing and began showing him the ropes. He was soon after added as an assistant coach to the SUSU squad.

Richards' interview with Stout was his first for a head coaching job. "I liked the area and the people," said Richards. "They sold me on the job."

Richards feels his "ability to spot athletes" will go a long way in improving the program and its recruiting techniques.

The team was hit hard last May when they lost five seniors to graduation. The beginning of this season was not much easier on the team, as it saw three more upperclassmen leave for various reasons. Richards looks at this season as "a building year." With only two athletes returning with college experience, the season will certainly have its bumps and bruises.

Richards' first goal is to "improve the skill level of the kids here." He also feels that in the future, more aggressive recruiting and upgraded facilities will be further strides taken to keep the program moving in the right direction.

The youthful team, under direction of its new coach, will take their raw skills to La Crosse this weekend to face an always strong La Crosse team.

Blue Devil Hockey Shut-out



Submitted by Sports Information

UW-Stout goalie Ben Plester pulled off an awe-inspiring collegiate shut-out, 5-0, against St. Olaf on Friday, Dec. 4. Out shooting their opponent 39-27 gave UW-Stout a definite edge. This was the Blue Devils' third win and first shut-out of the season. Check out the hockey team on Friday, Dec. 11 when they challenge the Blugolds in Eau Claire.

Men's Volleyball hopes for same success as last season

Submitted by Sports Information

The 1998 UW-Stout Men's Volleyball Club could be the best Stout has ever seen. The sport, which some on campus don't even know exists, has been around since 1979, with this year's team wanting to break some records. Considering the returnees this team will have, they just might break them all.

Last year, the Men's Volleyball Team finished 19th in the country, with a group of guys that had plenty of volleyball experience but no experience playing together. "Last year we had a good amount of talent, but it took us awhile to get used to playing with each other," said Team Captain John Haggard.

It took some time for the Blue Devils to get into the swing of things, but when their playing came together towards the middle of last season, they demolished their opponents. The team ended the season playing in the 26-team conference tournament after not being ranked in the nation at all, though nine of their opponents were. Stout came out swinging and finished third in the conference tournament.

Stout went on to finish 16th out of 136 teams at the National Competition in Austin, TX. The team was rewarded with the ranking of 19th in the nation. The big reason for their success, and the reason that they have a chance at a repeat or better this year, are their returners.

Stout returns four of their best starters and has a deep bench. Haggard is starting his fifth and final year. Haggard, a co-MVP last season, has played every position for Stout, holding steady as a setter for the last two years. His dedication to this team shows not only in his leadership, but also in the record books, marking school records in assists, aces, and setter kills.

"I take huge pride in serving, and serving well. As far as kills go, the element of surprise is what a setter needs, and I have concentrated on reading other players to improve my game."

Haggard translates his skills for the Women's Volleyball Team, filling in as assistant coach for the last three years.

> "We definitely have the potential to win the conference title this year. We have our best starters back, and some of the other powerhouses in our conference lost theirs..."
>
> Justin Crist, last season's MVP

Justin Crist, Haggard's co-MVP, was a huge asset to the team, transferring from Milwaukee where he had played Division I volleyball. Crist brought his athleticism to Stout as a powerful hitter. "We definitely have the potential to win the conference title this year. We have our best starters back, and some of the other powerhouses in our conference have lost theirs, leaving the door wide open. We just need to step through."

Willie Hall is starting his third year on the team and has already proved himself the team's best blocker. "He is a player that can jump through the roof and put it straight down," said Team President Dan Benhke. "With his dominance at the net, many hitters will fear him again this year."

Andy Higgins was a surprise last season. His freshman year wasn't spent on the bench, but rather in a starting position for every game. "We were really pleased that someone like Andy fell into our program," said Hall. "He not only brings his talent back, but experience that will propel this team to the next level."

With this team's emphasis on playing together, other returners and freshmen are sure to take their spots on the court with just as much aggression as the veterans. Benhke has improved tremendously, along with Jason Peterson and Jason Fisher. These three are showing that they are ready to take over their new roles. New faces are also encouraging, noting that this year Stout will have more talent deep into their bench than in previous years. "This is how you build a team to win a conference championship," said Haggard.

"More home matches this year will give us more fan support from the school which in other years we have lacked. With such a powerful team, it will be exciting to watch," said Crist.

The team completed its first tournament play last weekend, beating out UW-River Falls for the second time this season and preying on tournament host St. John's University and the University of Minnesota-Morris. The team's only loss was to St. Cloud State University in the championship game. Nonetheless, the team is quite pleased with their second place finish and their 4-1 record. Games are tentatively scheduled for next semester, which is when the real action begins. Play resumes after the long winter break.

After drought, Badgers come up rosey

■ Led by outstanding defense and the "Dayne train," Alverez's squad heads to Pasedena.

Justin Thompson
columnist

After almost four years of postseason drought and consolation bowl games, the Wisconsin Badgers have re-entered their hat into the Big Ten Champions ring and jumped back to the Rose Bowl. Coach Barry Alvarez's rare and unique mix of scholarship and walk-on talent has once again paid large dividends. And now they stand poised on the threshold of emerging victorious in one of college football's greatest and most storied games.

Entering the 1998 season (after their bowl loss to Georgia, in which Georgia running back Robert Edwards steamrolled the Badger defense and capitalized on a weak passing attack), the Badgers announced to the media that they will showcase an unusual look this season: the option offense, which would capitalize on Ron Dayne's mutated combination of mammoth size and blazing speed, put together with quarterback Mike Samuel's penchant for running as opposed to the pass.

The media ate this announcement up, stating that no team in the Big Ten could ever compete running an offense like that. Sure, the Cornhuskers could do it, but that is an entirely different and weaker division. Fans held their breath as the Badgers started the season.

Dayne amassed large amounts of yardage, and the wins kept piling up. Their confidence building with each win, the Badgers began to see themselves as contenders once again. The Wolverines, co-national champions with the Cornhuskers, were the one thorn in the side of unbeaten record hopes this year when the Badgers 9-0 record arrived in Michigan.

Out-handled, and as a whole a team on the wrong page, the Wolverines made it seem too easy to beat a Top Ten team, sending complex blitz packages and coverages to confuse quarterback Samuel. (I think the Badgers could have found a better quarterback by watching soccer than deciding on this guy. He makes some walls I've seen look smarter. But that's another article!)

With a loss under their belts, the Badgers returned home to lick their wounds and prepare for Penn State to come into town. A win and a Michigan loss could vault the Badgers into the Rose Bowl for the second time in four years. The Badgers looked weak early, punting away after taking only a short period of time off the clock. The Lions marched down the field, running through the Badger defense like Clinton goes through personal secretaries. The Badgers held their ground, and Penn State missed a chip shot field goal. With that, the Badgers roared back and tamed the Lions, scoring several times (including a huge game-break of a kick return by Michigan native Nick Davis) to ice it. Hand out the roses, it's been a long time coming!

Now the Badgers face the waiting game. Alvarez has more than likely been preparing, but only for the offensive aspect, since their foe hasn't been determined yet.

THE Schedule

UW-Stout's Sports Schedule

Men's Basketball

Sat. Dec. 12 at
UW-Eau Claire, 7 p.m.
Tues. Dec. 15 vs.
Viterbo College, 7 p.m.
Thurs. Dec. 17 vs.
Marian College, 8 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 6 at
UW-River Falls, 7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 9 vs.
UW-Oshkosh, 7 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 11 vs.
UW-Platteville, 7 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 13 vs.
UW-Stevens Point, 7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 16 at
UW-Superior, 3 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 20 vs.
UW-La Crosse, 7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 23 at
UW-Whitewater, 7 p.m.

Men's Hockey

Fri. Dec. 11 at
UW-Eau Claire, 7 p.m.
Sat. Dec. 12 vs.
UW-Eau Claire, 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 8-9 at
Bemidji Sate, 7 p.m.
Jan. 22-23 at
St. Norbert, 7 p.m.

Men's and Women's Indoor Track and Field

Sat. Jan. 23 UW-Stout
Invitational, 11 a.m.

Women's Basketball

Sat. Dec. 12 vs.
UW-Eau Claire, 7 p.m.
Mon. Dec. 14 vs.
Concordia-St. Paul, 7 p.m.
Thurs. Dec. 17 vs.
Northwestern, 6 p.m.
Wed. Dec. 30 at
Winona State, 1 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 2 at
Northland College, 3 p.m.
Wed. Jan. 6 vs.
UW-River Falls, 7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 9 at
UW-Oshkosh, 3 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 11 at
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Wed. Jan. 20 at
UW-La Crosse, 7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 23 vs.
UW-Whitewater, 3 p.m.

Women's Gymnastics

Sat. Dec. 12 at
UW-La Crosse, 1 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 9 at
UW-Oshkosh, 2 p.m.
Mon. Jan. 18 vs.
Hamline University, 7 p.m.
Sat. Jan. 23 at UW-Eau Claire
Invitational, 1 p.m.

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Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Basketball

Shooting only 25 percent, the UW-Stout Women's Basketball Team fell, 74-56, to UW-Whitewater at Whitewater, Saturday, Dec. 5.

The Warhawks built on a 35-31 half-time lead and shut Stout out even more in the second half.

Stout shot 18-for-71 from the floor, while the Warhawks hit 50 percent of their shots, going 25-for-50.

The Warhawks' Staci Stowe led all scorers with 17 points, while Rachel Traynor led Stout with 12 points, and Shannon Berg claimed 11.

The Blue Devils will host UW-Eau Claire Saturday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m.

Men's Basketball

Dec. 5

UW-Whitewater went on a 10-0 run early in the second half to hand UW-Stout an 83-78 Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference loss Saturday at Johnson Fieldhouse.

Stout held a 35-29 half-time lead and ballooned that to a 43-33 lead before Whitewater worked the foul line for six free throws in the 10-0 run. Stout managed to twice take a three-point lead, but the Warhawks took the lead on a jumper by Tom Anderson at 11:23 and never looked back, jumping out to as much as a 12-point lead.

The Blue Devils could never get back to closer than five points, despite a furious attempt late in the game. Whitewater's last field goal came with two minutes remaining, and they held Stout off with eight free throws down the stretch.

The Warhawks' Anderson led all scorers with 25 points, and Jaron Perry added 23.

Ben Kuepers scored 21 points and pulled down 16 rebounds to lead Stout, while Jeremy Preston added 18 points, and Andy Myers chipped in 16. Stout held a 51-38 lead on the boards.

Dec. 8

UW-Stout shot 40-of-52 free throws and went on to down Bethel College, 86-78, Tuesday, Dec. 8 in St. Paul, Minn.

Jeremy Preston and Jeremy Leibfried each scored 22 points to lead the way for the Blue Devils (6-2), while Andy Myers added 15 points. Ben Kuepers contributed 10 rebounds.

Stout returns to action this Saturday when they travel to UW-Eau Claire for a 7 p.m. contest at Zorn Arena.

Men's Hockey

UW-Stout freshman goalie Ben Plester recorded his first collegiate shutout as the Blue Devils cruised to a 5-0 non-conference win over St. Olaf at the Dunn County Ice Arena Friday, Dec. 4.

Plester stopped all 27 shots the Oles sent his way and gave Stout their third win of the season. It was also Stout's first shutout of the season.

The Blue Devils got things going in the second period when Mark Corbett recorded a goal at 9:22 and the Blue Devils' leading scorer, Graham Lomen, came back with another goal a minute later. Corbett's goal came on the power play, while Lomen's was a shorthanded goal.

Matt Gehr opened the third stanza up with a goal five minutes into the period, and Andy Anderson got a shorthanded goal midway through the period. Luke Murray finished off the Oles with a rocket from the right face off circle with a minute remaining in the game.

Stout outshot St. Olaf, 39-27. RJ Schreifer assisted on the first and last goals, while Anderson and Lomen assisted on Gehl's goal.

The Blue Devils will return to action this Friday when they travel to UW-Eau Claire for a 7 p.m. contest at Hobbs Ice Arena. The Blugolds will come to Menomonie Saturday for a 7:30 p.m. game. Both games will count toward NCHA standings. The two teams split a pair of Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference games earlier this season.

Football Outstanding Players

The UW-Stout Head Football Coach Ed Meierkort announced the following award winners at the annual football banquet last Sunday. The Blue Devils finished the 1998 season with a 5-5 overall record, including a 3-4 record in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The following are the award winners:

1998 UW-Stout Football Award Winners

Matt Bunyan - Most Valuable Player; Eric Lund - Co-Most Valuable Defensive Player; Corey Morning - Co-Most Valuable Defensive Player; Ryan Patt - Most Valuable Offensive Player; Tom Schaffner - Special Teams Player of the Year; Chad Reichelt - Most Improved Player; Joe Verstegen - Outstanding Defensive Back; Eric Lund - Outstanding Linebacker; Bill Berg - Outstanding Defensive Lineman; Shawn Lund - Outstanding Offensive Back; Jesse Diaz - Outstanding Receiver; Ben Leslie - Outstanding Offensive Lineman; Adam Moiles - Offensive Scout Player of the Year; Todd Deibert - Defensive Scout Player of the Year; Aaron Johnson - Freshman of the Year; Ross Moline - Outstanding Newcomer

Bunyan was also named as one of 10 finalists for the prestigious Gagliardi Trophy as an NCAA Division III Player of the Year.

The sixth annual Gagliardi Trophy will be presented on Thursday, Dec. 10 in Salem, Va., at a luncheon in conjunction with the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl activities.

The Gagliardi Trophy is named in honor of St. John's University long-time Head Football Coach John Gagliardi. It was first presented in 1993 to the Outstanding Division III football player of the year. Since then, the award has become one of the leading collegiate football awards and is widely recognized as the premier individual award in Division III football.

The winner of the two-foot, 64 pound bronze trophy is awarded by a 30-member national selection committee which includes college coaches, former athletes, college administrators, business leaders, and members of the media. Bunyan is the only athlete nominated for the award in the UW System.



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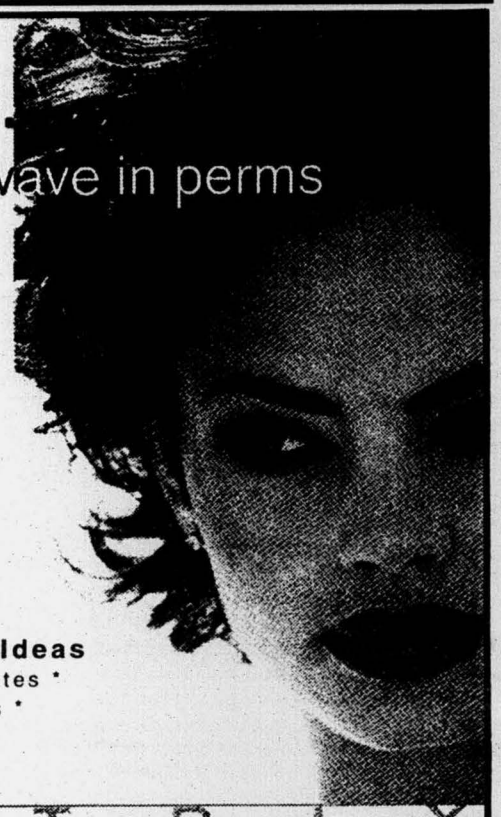
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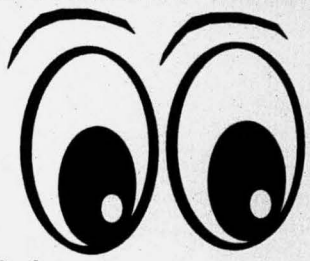
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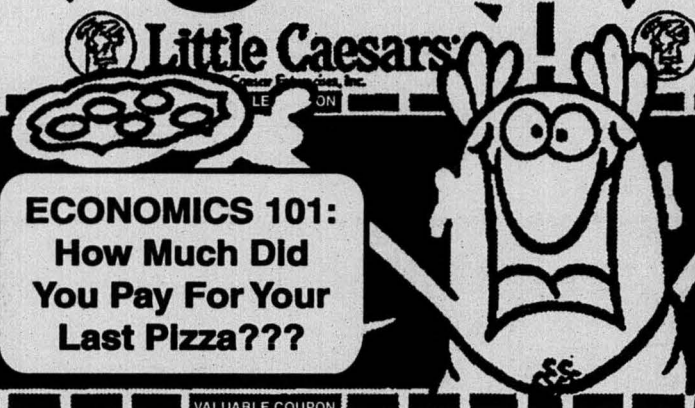
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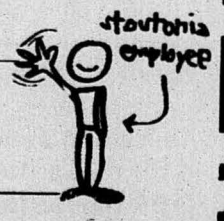
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Drop off ballots at the Stoutonia office, room 149 of the Memorial Student Center, or any of the drop boxes located throughout campus by Dec. 17. Check out the results in the Best of Menomonie spread, Jan. 28.

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Best Of MENOMONIE

Australia a hotspot for H&T students



Photo submitted by Lucretia Haugli

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Australia has quickly become one of the more popular exchange programs for students in the Hospitality and Tourism Management program. The exchange takes place at Southern Cross University in Lismore, Southern Wales Australia.

It is a relatively new exchange offered through Stout's International Program. But because of great interest from students, the Australian exchange is now being offered not only to students in Hospitality and Tourism, but Psychology, Human Development, Business, and General Education as well.

Typically, the Hospitality and Tourism program only allows two to three students to attend per semester. But with the program expanding, now as many as 15 students will be able to travel to Australia.

The exchange allows students to gain the life-altering experience of traveling, while still earning credits toward graduation.

Dr. Christine Clements, chair of the Hospitality and Tourism Department, feels this program has been and will continue to be beneficial for any student who attends.

"The opportunity for living in a foreign country gives a global perspective for the students," she said.

Semesters for the Australian exchange run on a different time period than at Stout. Spring semester runs from early February until June, while fall semester is from mid-July through October.

For those who are in the H&T program, the cost is roughly about $6,850 a semester. For students not in the major, costs increase to $8,325.

Last year two Hospitality and Tourism students went on theexchange. Lucretia Haugli and Tom Van Heiigan were the first students from Stout to experience the Australian exchange.

Haugli, a junior, said the experience was incredible. "It was a great experience. I lived in a co-ed dorm and had four roommates; one of my roommates was Dutch, so not only did I get to experience Australian culture, but a taste of Dutch as well."

Those interested in experiencing a semester in Australia, contact the International Exchange Office on the 4th floor of Bowman Hall. The Australian exchange is quite popular and fills up quickly. Spots are already full until the year 2000 for the H&T program.

While the classes were away, the men still played...



Photo Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Ben Kuepers (30) jumped into action after a three-week rest. He finished the game with 15 points, allowing Stout to fend off UW-Stevens Point. See page 13 for hoop highlights.

Local shelter builds a Bridge to Hope, but not to state funding

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Consider for a moment that hundreds have been hijacked on a plane. Those on the ground radio to the hostages that they must stop being stupid and to find a way out of their situation, on their own.

This would probably never happen, but it is the very same way our culture treats domestic abuse victims.

Or so Martha Hemmingway of Bridge to Hope sees things. As director of the domestic abuse shelter in Menomonie, she witnesses the dashed dreams, broken families, shattered esteems that result from domestic abuse.

The shelter is a way to empower battered women, equip them with tangible tools they can use, such as money, legal help, education, and most essentially, safety for them and their children. This, she says, is what can change women's lives, not just words from those that can never understand what it's like to leave a family, home, and hope, in the blink of an eye.

This necessary, life-saving shelter is new to Menomonie, but from the start has been struggling to stay afloat. While they have funding from the United Way and are applying for other funds, state money is unavailable due to a rule stating that shelters cannot be located less than 50 miles away from each other.

The Bridge is in a double bind, as shelters are located in Eau Claire and River Falls, and yet without the Bridge's existence, Menomonie is without a critical community resource. The women that use these shelters often do not have transportation to and from Menomonie for the job interviews, court appointments, and resources the Bridge encourages them to use.

"It's a solvable problem. Having a shelter is an important part of the solution...while the system holds the batterers accountable."

Martha Hemmingway
Bridge to Hope director

"If the shelter was not here, more women would die, wouldn't leave the situation, or would feel isolation because they have to move away from their support system," Hemmingway said.

The Bridge houses a family of mother and child(ren) for up to 30 days, long enough to escape from a potentially deadly situation, find resources in their community, and learn how to function as a healthy family again. Currently, only one family is housed, but if more volunteer staff, such as Stout students on practicum or looking for volunteer experience, is added, they could house several more at a time.

For Barb (last name withheld), Stout student, working with the staff of seven has been rewarding, but often difficult. As a victim of domestic abuse herself, she passionately protects the women who come through their doors. But with so few staff, she will have to work longer days as the shelter's Adult Advocate/Legal Advocate.

Hemmingway, with years of experiences at domestic abuse shelters, knows they work.

"It's a solvable problem. Having a shelter is an important part of the solution...while the [judicial] system holds the batterers accountable."

The Bridge is planning many fundraisers for the next months, hoping to get the monetary help so essential for women in Menomonie. Those interested in donating can drop their small change at boxes located at the Service Center, upper level of the Memorial Student Center, and at the Stoutonia, lower level of the MSC.

Victims can call 1-800-924-9918 for help or just to talk; names do not need to be given. Or call to inquire about fundraisers and open positions.

Acoustic loft now church to chagrin believers

by Nicole Heckmann
News Editor

The group R.E.M. may have had its thumb on the pulse of Generation X when it sang of *Losing My Religion*. Churches across the globe are concerned about decreasing church attendance, particularly low among young adults.

A 1997 Gallup Poll reported only about 20 percent of young Americans flock to the pews, yet subsequent surveys report the overwhelming majority of people believe in God.

The reason? Many have speculated, but three local men think they may have the answer - and it lies within the church.

Remy Diederich, Mike Shay, and Steve Clason, three ministers from the Alliance Church in Menomonie are embarking on what they call a new kind of church service "in a safe place to ask danger-

Please see SNA on page 2

IMPEACHMENT: How Wisconsin Senators voted

Roll call votes registered yesterday on a motion to dismiss the case against President Cllinton and another motion to accept witnesses in the impeachment trial:

R. Feingold (D)
To dismiss charges: No
To accept witnesses: Yes

H. Kohl (D)
To dismiss charges: Yes
To accept witnesses: No

Congressman Ron Kind: "Such conduct does not justify paralyzing our government indefinitely nor is impeachment needed to hold him accountable."

Representative Joe Plouff: "All of the time put into the trial is taking away from valuable time that the government should instead be spending on more important issues such as...the escalating costs of college education."

SNA/offering an alternative

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ous questions" about God.

Saturday Night Alternative (SNA) opened its doors above the Acoustic Cafe this Saturday night, filling the loft with a standing room only crowd. Touting a band, skits, and buffet, the group emphasizes religion and church can be both interesting and relevant to life.

Delivering their promise of taking only 54 minutes of the congregation's time, the pastors attracted students from Stout, Eau Claire, and Minneapolis to their alternative service. Their first topic? Disappointed by God.

"Our culture today is saying, 'I don't have time,' " Diederich said in an interview with *Dunn County News*. "Meaning, I don't have time for religion, not I don't have time for God." SNA messages are kept to only 15 minutes.

SNA also promises goers that they will no longer feel they have to nod their head in agreement, that they are encouraged to speak up and question the answers. It is hoped that all those who left church dismayed, planning never to return, will give this service a chance, as a hassle-free, user-friendly, informal venue.

"I hope that people who've been burned by church will come to this," Robin Shay, UW-Stout sophomore, said. "It's not as intimidating [here], and it's more upbeat."

SNA meets in the rustic loft of Acoustic Cafe from 6:06-7:00 p.m. each Saturday.



Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

A band, buffet, and skits are all part of the Saturday Night Alternative, created by three Menomonie pastors. The services are offered as a breath of fresh air for those turned off by church. SNA is held each Saturday from 6:06 to 7:00 p.m., in the loft of Acoustic Cafe.

Police Beat

Compiled by Shannon Haase from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Missing mats

On Dec. 6, custodial staff noticed floor mats missing from Johnson Fieldhouse after the AAU Holiday Classic was held in the building. The mats have not been seen since. No one was given permission to remove the mats. There are no suspects at this time.

Aid to injured

Custodian David Marquardt was injured when the sludge tank he was cleaning slipped away from its wheel mooring and pinned his leg between the tank and a dumpster. After freeing himself, Marquardt made his way from the Applied Arts' loading dock to the third floor of the building to seek help from other custodians before he called EMS. Marquardt needed stitches and crutches for the injuries he sustained.

Stereo equipment stolen

Mike Twining reported that sometime between Dec. 16 and Dec. 22, that someone unlocked his vehicle and stole his stereo equipment. The unknown person also accessed the trunk of the vehicle by removing the back seat. No one was given permission to enter the vehicle or remove the equipment. There are no suspects at this time.

Suspicious person

On Jan. 19, the dispatcher was advised that a male subject was monkeying with the meters in UW-Stout Lot 39. The subject was wearing a brown coat. The officer made contact with the suspect. The suspect turned out to be a student parking employee. The employee was checking the meters to make sure they were giving correct time.

Van v. bench, van wins

An officer was dispatched to the southeast corner of the Administration Building, where a big, yellow moving van reportedly struck a park bench. Upon the officer's arrival, tire tracks indicated that the Northshore Environmental truck had demolished the park bench, which was originally located in the cement pad. The driver admitted to striking the bench while backing up on the sidewalk.

Citations

Between Dec. 21 and Jan. 22, there were two citations for disorderly conduct and one smoking citation issued.

University Notes

Compiled by Kelly Neidt from submitted news releases

Free aerobics

There will be a free week of aerobics in the Johnson Fieldhouse, from Monday, Feb. 1 to Friday, Feb. 5. Classes are held at 7-8 p.m. They will be based on the instructor's choice - either step or floor aerobics, body sculpting, or a combination.

Silent auction

Looking for the perfect Valentine's gift? Come to CMAA's silent auction on Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 10- 3 p.m. in Ballroom B. There will be great deals on logo polo shirts, golf certificates and accessories, wines, and much more!

Ice Softball Tournament

Kappa Lambda Beta is hosting their 24th annual Ice Softball Tournament. It will take place on Feb. 5-7 from 8 a.m. until dusk. There is a $100 entry fee that is non-refundable. First place prize is $300, second place is $200, and third is $100. Contact either Jason Tremain at 233-0932 or Eric Peters at 232-3229.

Secret Garden Formal

There will be a Secret Garden Formal held in the Great Hall of MSC on Feb. 13, from 8 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. The cost is $10 for a single ticket and $18 for a couple to attend. Tickets are available at the Service Desk of MSC, and there are no refunds. Sponsored by IRHC rectivities.

Parking services

With the construction of the Communications Center building and the Recreation Complex, new campus parking plans must be developed. There will be a temporary parking reduction, and students are encouraged to send their suggestions via e-mail to Parking Services at parking@uwstout.edu.

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Two prominent women get the recognition due

■ Visible faces on campus, these two have dedicated themselves to motivating others...and are applauded

Submitted by UW-Stout News

Darshan Perusek, a professor of English and philosophy at UW-Stout, and Prather Fowlkes, a student who plans to graduate in May, were honored recently at a UW System Women of Color Reception held at UW-Eau Claire in conjunction with the 23rd annual Women's Studies Conference.

The two were recognized for their contributions to the UW System by their commitment to educational excellence through diversity.

Perusek has been at UW-Stout since 1988, teaching English, writing, and literature. She also developed two classes, titled Multicultural Literature and Women in World Literature, which she teaches. She is co-director of the project "From Margin to Center: An Audiovisual Project to Help Retain Minority Students Through Poetry."

Perusek has participated in numerous conferences, presenting on literature, disabilities, and women's studies. Since 1985, she has been editor in chief of *Kaleidoscope*, an award-winning international magazine of literature, fine arts, and disability. She has also been published in *Economic and Political Weekly of India*, a premier journal of South Asia.

Fowlkes has served as president and secretary of the Black Student Union and as student chair of the American Multicultural Student Leadership Conference. She has been a member of the Student Government Association, Empowering Women Students of Color, ULEAD, and the New Student Orientation Committee. Last summer, she was an administrative assistant for the Greater Milwaukee Convention and Visitors Bureau in Milwaukee.

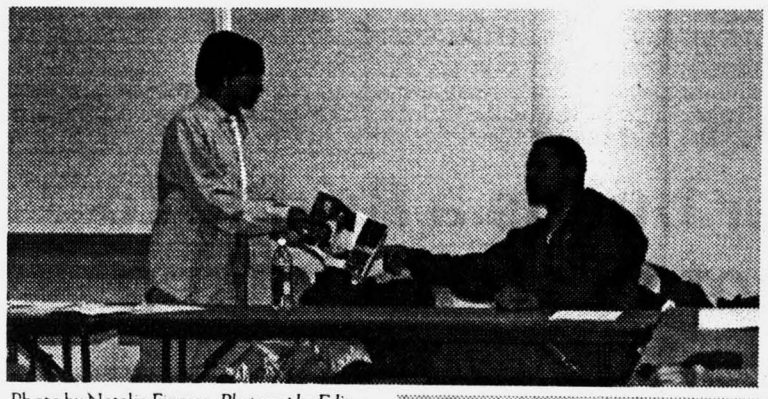


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ABOVE: Prather Fowlkes, Senior, speaks at the Black Student Union meeting Wednesday. Since her time here, she has been a dedicated leader and motivator.

RIGHT: Darshan Perusek talks to one of her many English and philosophy classes. She developed two specialized literature courses for Stout.

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Clinton trial

On Wednesday, the Senate refused to dismiss impeachment charges on President Clinton and ordered the trial to continue, with three witnesses required to give closed door testimony, one of which will be Monica Lewinsky.

Colombia earthquake

Following a deadly earthquake in Colombia that killed at least 878 people, looters began destroying property and clashed with police. The violence is thought to be due to the slow pace of relief efforts from other countries following the earthquake.

Pope visits United States

After Pope John Paul II ended a 30 hour visit to the United States on Wednesday, he issued a powerful condemnation of the death penalty. The Pope urged respect for all people, even criminals who are guilty of "great evil."

Iraq challenges warplanes

Iraq's parliament called on Arabs to end Kuwait's and Saudi Arabia's governments for backing United States air attacks on Iraq. According to Baghdad, it will keep challenging western warplanes that fly over its airspace.

Cities sue gun makers

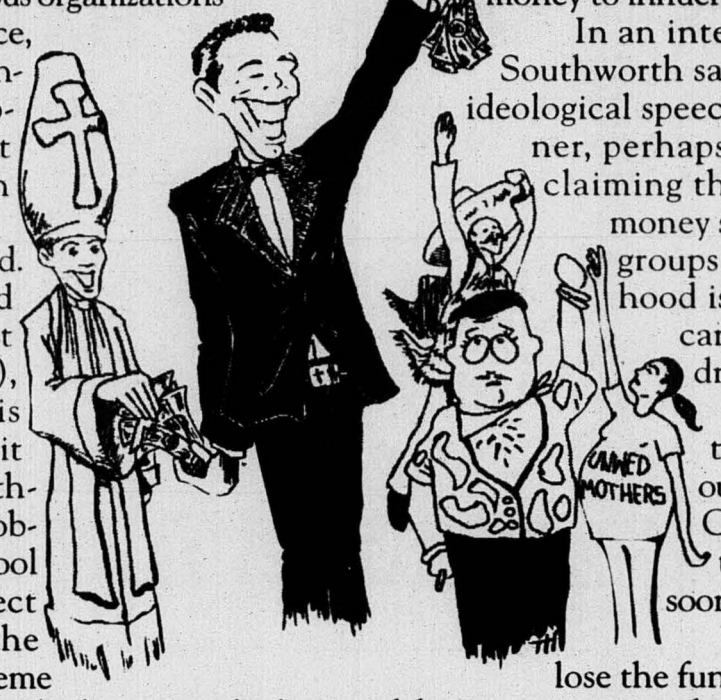
The number of cities that are suing the gun industry has increased to four as of Wednesday, when Miami and Bridgeport, Connecticut joined two others in support of a national task force that would sue the makers of guns. Other cities are predicted to join in the trend.

Editorial

Zealots threatening free speech on campus

Buckle up, because some Christian students would like to take Wisconsin, and the U.S., on quite a ride. Several ultra-conservative, much too zealous law students are trying to crush the free speech and democratic policies upheld by student governments around the country, reducing "higher" education to "hired" education; i.e. spend your money only on those organizations who tout one side of the opinion - your opinion.

In 1996, a Christian law student at UW-Madison and former president of the College Republicans decided he had it with leftist immoralists running his school (campus organizations supporting such things as AIDS assistance, gays, and unwed mothers). He and two others demanded that campus groups supporting issues they opposed should not receive a penny from their pockets through segregated fees.



Like good little law students, they sued. In Southworth v. Grebe, the court ruled in their favor (in a decision that went against much previous legal precedent), saying the UW student fee system is unconstitutional. The Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals agreed. Since Southworth's lawyers, part of the $500,000 lobby group, refused all offers from the school for a new system letting students select which groups they wished to fund, the university is now appealing to the Supreme Court. Perhaps law school taught them a little too much about working the system.

If the Supreme Court rules in favor of lower courts, the floor could be opened to any and all students using their religious or political views to stomp out opposing groups.

The university is still in shock. "If you don't like them, don't go" is no longer enough. Now, it's "If you don't like them, shut 'em up." Apparently some Madison students have a problem with 30-50 people in student government deciding for a campus of 40,000. Yet only five percent of students vote in elections. Solution? Getting involved would be one. But then again, they would have to fight for their beliefs along with the rest of the students. Easier solution? Sue the hell out of them all, using a lobbying giant touting your beliefs. Now who's using money to influence whom?

In an interview with the *Capital Times*, 24-year-old Southworth said he shouldn't have to pay for political or ideological speech. All right, with tax time around the corner, perhaps we should all send the IRS a letter proclaiming they can screw themselves, as government money supports Planned Parenthood and veterans' groups. Oh, speaking of which, Planned Parenthood is next on his list. (He also objects to child care tuition assistance, as those without children shouldn't have to help the others.)

Sound like this boy's on a mission? He certainly is. With the Alliance Defense Fund, an out-of-state power racking up court cases for such Christians on a mission, he's looking to ensure that a campus boasting 600 organizations will soon be down to 300.

No one wins in this; in fact, we all lose. We lose the fundamentals of higher education - facing and debating controversial issues and developing an opinion. Public campuses across the nation are open forums for discussion and disagreement, not open fire on groups that frighten us or fail to fit in neat congruence with our personal thoughts.

Governor able to pack more than one arena

Eddie Mullins
columnist

Who would have thought former pro-wrestler Jesse "the body" Ventura would have been elected governor of Minnesota? In my opinion, it's the best thing tha has happened in the history of politics. I thought this would be a great topic of interest, since half of the students at Stout are from Minnesota.

I have to say that I am tired of people ripping on Jesse. I have heard most comments from Wisconsin residents. Just the other day I overheard (like you don't ease-drop) a woman say that if Jesse was voted in, she could run for president and be elected in a heartbeat.

The minute you have someone in office that is different from everyone else, people go crazy. They run in fear of change. But if only they knew him, they would feel different. Jesse has a heart of gold, and he supports the poverty and middle class population.

I work for Minnesota 9 News, so I was able to attend the innaugural party for Jesse, and and have met him through taking part in several media interviews.

I didn't know much about the man until I was at his party on election night. Now I know, he truly is a people person. When he was asked what other politicians can learn from his victory of being voted as Governor of Minnesota, he had this to say: "They need to pay attention to the people. They're more concerned about their power struggle with the other party. My election showed them they'd better wake up to people. It's important that politicians get back on track about governing, the country, the states, and the municipalities." The best thing about Ventura, he is true to his word.

Ventura has done many things throughout his career; he has been a Navy seal, a radio talk show host, an actor and the mayor of the Twin Cities suburb Brooklyn Park. With all his experience, he looks openly and from all sides. This is the kind of governor we need. Just one word- HONESTY!

Another thing that I love about Jesse is his willingness to speak his mind about other public people. He recently did an interview with USA Today, speaking directly about President Clinton.

When asked if he had been watching the Clinton impeachment hearings, he responded, "Absolutely not. It's party politics garbage. . . an embarrassment to our country. If President Clinton truly cares about this country, he'd resign. If I behaved that way as governor, I'd resign. I'm talking about the cheating and where he did it- in our house, the tax payers house. And when he had the chance to tell the truth, he didn't."

During election times for the governor race, Hillary Clinton was in Minnesota to support Jesse's running mate Skip Humphrey, when she made the statement, "O.K. Minnesota, it's time to put an end to this carnival sideshow," referring, of course, to Jesse. His response? "I think that Hillary should worry more about leaving Bill home alone... I don't get mad, I get even!"

Retraction

Dec. 10 issue, "Parking Appeals Board faces student criticism." It was erroneously stated that one student received a ticket after having authorization to park in a space, and the appeal was not dismissed. The appeal was eventually dismissed after a long battle with the board.

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Letters

Dear Editor:

Without organizations, their members, and individual volunteers, the Dunn County Humane Society could never function. Last semester the Humane Society was blessed with an outpouring of concern and energy from the UW-Stout community.

In particular, I would like to thank Kappa Lambda Beta for its fundraising and volunteer time at the shelter, the UW-Stout Cross Country Team for volunteering at the shelter, the UW-Stout Homecoming Royalty for raising $1,900 and those in the Royal Court that walked dogs in the parade, and the Greek Care Week participants who volunteered at the shelter doing miscellaneous jobs, all of which made our job a little easier. (Incidentally, I really appreciated the creative, technical talents of both female and male volunteers who helped with some knotty problems.) Finally, my thanks to over 20 students who were not associated with an organization but were touched by our cats and dogs that depend on volunteer love.

Glori Schmidt
Director
Dunn-County Humane Society

Campus Slant

How do you feel about a woman running the White House?



"I think we need to switch things up...try something new. It's better than having pro-wrestlers in the White House."

Mark Spusta
Junior
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"I guess it's all right, as long as she can hold the position strongly."

Jason Duranceau
Senior
Business



"I don't think they have the balls to do the job."

Tony Smith
Senior
Business



"Hey, if she's anything like Clinton, I'll be an intern any day!"

Chad Dorshorst
Sophomore
Tech. Ed.



"It's about time... women have been oppressed for years. All the power to her!"

Mike Mabie, Senior
Mike Brenholt, Senior
Bryan Barts, Junior

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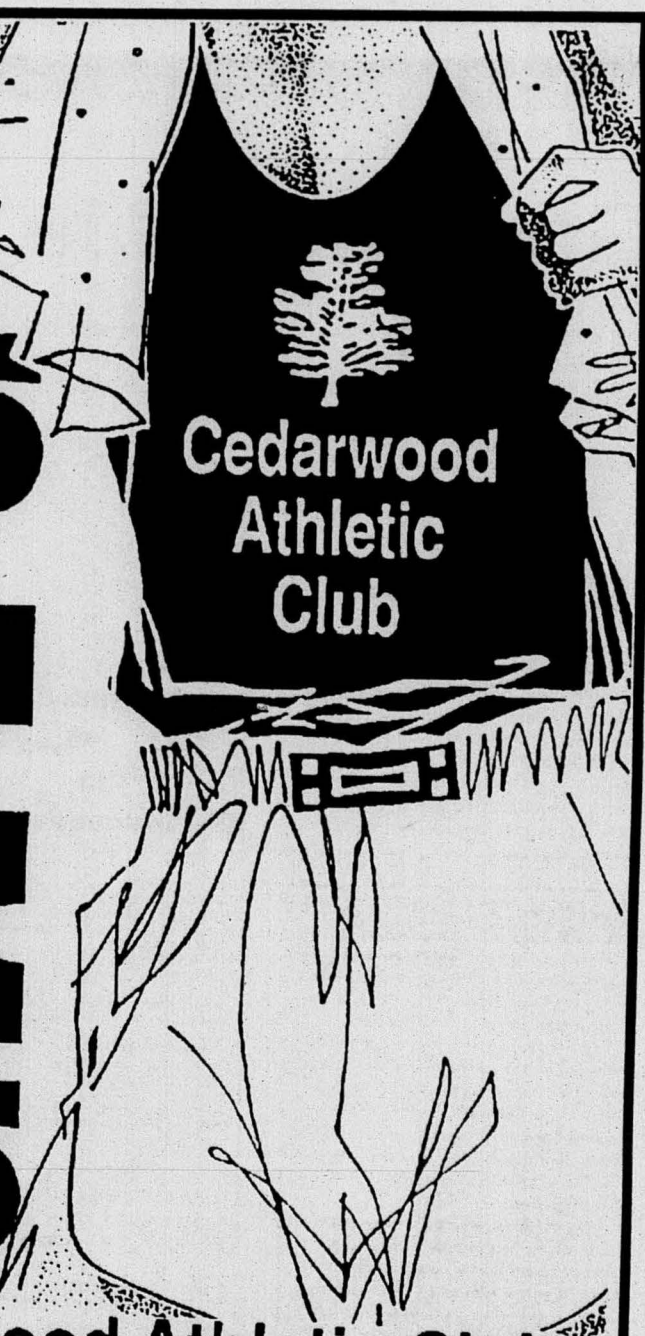
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Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr. Day January 18

"Some of you have knives, and I ask you to put them up.

- **1929,** Born in Atlanta, Georgia
- **1955,** Elected President of Montgomery Improvement Assoc. after Rosa Parks refused sit at the back of the bus.
- **1963,** Guided mass demonstrations in Birmingham. This eventually passed the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
- **1963,** Delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech to marchers from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.
- **1964,** Became Time magazine's Man of the Year and recieptient of the Nobel Peace Prize.
- **1968,** Initiated Poor People's campaign to confront economic problems.
- **1968,** Assassinated while assisting a garbage workers' strike in Memphis.



In exchange for his nonviolent speaking, King was...
stabbed in the chest and physically attacked three more times, his home was bombed three times, he was thrown into jail 14 times, and eventually assasinated.

"Some of you may have guns, and I ask you to put them up. Get the weapons of nonviolence, the breastplate of righteousness, the armor of truth, and just keep marching."

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and may not be appropriate for children. This week Chloe talks of how the new year has rung in many unexpected events. The actual night unleashed a chain of events which will shock and disturb the reader. Besides having to go to the emergency room, Chloe is also faced with an extreme tragedy. It seems the year has not quite started out as good as she would have liked.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

I'm not quite sure, but I think this New Year's Eve marked the beginning of a very bad year. In all my life, I have always marveled in optimism. "The cup is half full," I always say. "Look on the bright side," was my motto. Well the light has all but diminished, and I am sitting in an endless tunnel. Okay, maybe I am over-exaggerating a tad, but you are never going to believe the current chapter in the sad saga of Chloe's life.

Christmas vacation - the time to be lazy, have fun, and breathe the air out that was held in my lungs all of first semester. My vacation started out wonderful. Christmas was plentiful. If only I would have known the dramatic shift that was to take place between then and New Year's, I would have been one of those people who took up residency in a bomb shelter just so I could deny the change in years.

The average person probably thinks that having no bar time on New Year's is a good idea. Yeah, by the time I got out, every person was so inebriated I had to fight the urge to use a hands-on approach to the kick-boxing aerobics I had been learning. The final straw was when some stupid male pushed me on the dance floor at The Flame. Yeah, this is to be expected. I know from time to time I have given some hair-flopping, half-dressed female a gentle nudge to keep me from swallowing her poofy locks. This muscle-headed male pushed me so hard, I fell backwards onto the floor. So much for my white shirt.

Around six, sleepiness overtook the need to drink, so my friend from the Cities, my roommate, and I all went back to our house. That is when the terror of my life took place. I was having a nice, casual conversation with my friend when my heart skipped a beat and set off the first episode of unexplainable heart problems. After the skip, my heart started racing at a rate of 250 beats/minute. This is when I became very dizzy and lost consciousness. When I came to, my friend was about to call 911. At this point, my heart was at a normal rate, and I promised him I would go to the doctor the following day. With reluctance, he agreed.

A week had passed and I pushed off the slight episode. It was probably something I ate, I kept rationalizing. Then it happened again. This time, I followed the safer route by going to the emergency room. From there I saw a doctor in internal medicine. I then went through a multitude of tests that made a lab rat's job look easy. I was hooked up to five electrodes and a heart monitor for 24 hours. Now I have to wear this funky looking watch the size of a calculator. The glory of this object is it constantly monitors my heart. Even more, whenever I have an episode, I push two buttons and it records the rate my heart is beating. Then I hook the watch up to a modem and play it to a receptionist over the phone. The wonders of modern technology! I only wish they had the watch in my colors.



So after this happened, I thought, "Hey, life isn't so bad. I have my school, I have my family, I have my friends, and I have my cute little puppy." I don't know if vocalizing what I had had some sort of adverse effect on my luck, because a week later, Bailey died.

I know my stories are usually humorous, but believe me, this part is true. I would never joke about something so not funny and extremely morbid.

Just a warning...

This part of the story may be too depressing to the very sensitive. If you are already showing signs of depression, I urge you to stop reading now.

To those of you brave ones, take a moment to sit down and prepare yourselves for the trauma.

The night before the fatal incident, Bailey was being his usual, rambunctious self (and also annoying every one of my roommates in the process). I think to really have patience for a pet or a child you have to love them more than you are frustrated by them. For example, when I would say, "Oh, cute, look what he's doing," they would yell, "Bailey, get your ass off the furniture."

Yes, Bailey was spoiled. I think that along with grand children, pets are the most spoiled creatures on this earth. Although this is true, you would never see *him* begging for something in a department store. By spoiling a pet, they feel loved.

I went to sleep that night and Bailey lay down on his 'pet bed' alongside mine. Usually, he would jump up in the middle of the night and fall asleep right beside me. This would consequently mean that he would take over the bed.

This night, however, was different. He never hopped up onto my bed, and I never again saw him alive.

The next morning I woke up in awe that he was still sleeping on his little bed. That was until I called him and there was no response. I went over to him to see a lifeless body curled up on the over-sized pillow I bought him for Christmas.

I stood in shock for what seemed years. At some point I must have let out a heart-wrenching scream because one of my roommates snapped me out of my trance. At this point I was too hysterical to vocalize anything. Frozen in shock I was unable to function. My baby was gone...

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Striving for that Spring Break body

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The longest and coldest of the winter months in Wisconsin have set in, leaving most students eagerly anticipating Spring Break. However, the warm wools and heavy cottons donned for the winter will not suffice on any of the sandy white beaches. This also means the extra winter weight must be shed off along with the layers of clothing.

Exercise is a fairly popular pastime at Stout for a better portion of the year, but it is an especially attractive notion prior to Spring Break. Without fail, third quarter brings on a barrage of new faces to the fitness center.

"It's been a lot busier," said weight room supervisor Ben Shearer as he looked at the mound of new memberships on the desk.

In order to accommodate the rush to get in shape, the Fitness Center as well as the Multi-Purpose Room have extended their hours for the third quarter only. Monday through Thursday both facilities are open until midnight, Friday and Sunday until 9 p.m., and Saturday until six p.m.

Aerobics classes were in heavy demand the first semester and anticipating an even busier third quarter, bringing in an additional aerobics class to be added. A free week of aerobics is being offered the first week of February, and an aerobics extravaganza will be held on February 8. (For more information, see the bulletin board outside the Fitness Center or contact the Recreation Office at ext. 1392)

Many over-eager students start an excercise program weeks before the plane takes off. Setting reasonable short-term goals each week is a key to getting in shape, but often is done in vain when the proper diet is not in place. Implementing a healthy, well-balanced diet should also be implimented into the plan for fitness.

Even though the bluster of winter is heavy upon us, the balm of Spring Break is just a few short weeks away, propelling droves of new faces to exercise. Many feel a few short weeks of fasting and hours of exercise will trim up the body. To avoid this unhealthy means of rapid weight loss, here are a few basic tips to keep the goal in perspective:

Healthy Reminders

-The easiest thing to do to lose weight is drink enough water
- *water helps liver convert fat into usable energy
- *drink eight cups a day

-Instead of making excuses not to exercise, make them to exercise
- *if it is seen as boring and hard, it will be

-The more the muscle, the higher the metabolism
- *muscle is more metabolically active than fat
- *exercise will also speed the metabolism up to 24 hours after

-Important to exercise within 'Heart Rate Training Range'
- *this keeps work-out at aerobic level to efficiently burn fat
- *to calculate, find Maximum Heart Rate (220-age) and multiply by 75 to 85 percent

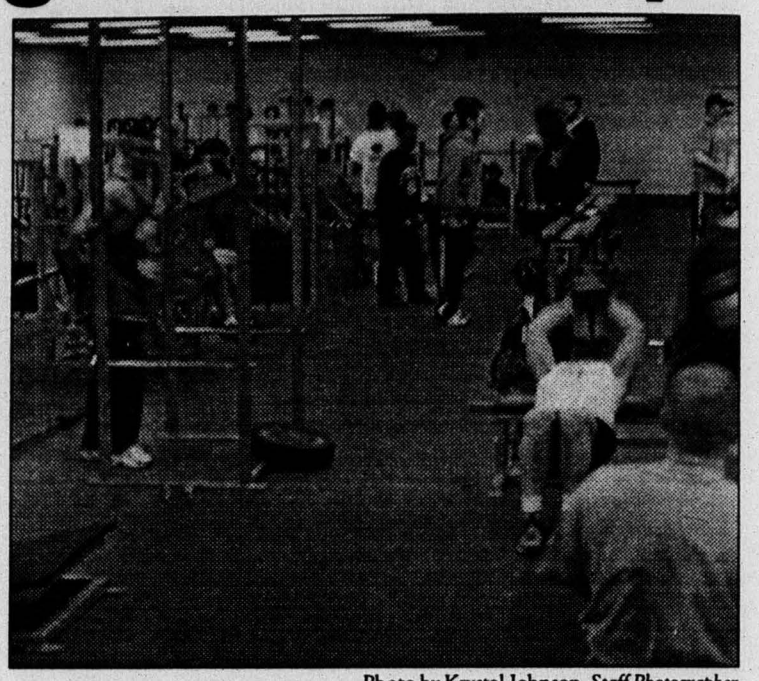


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Avid exerciser and amateur alike make their way into the weightroom to shape-up for Spring Break.

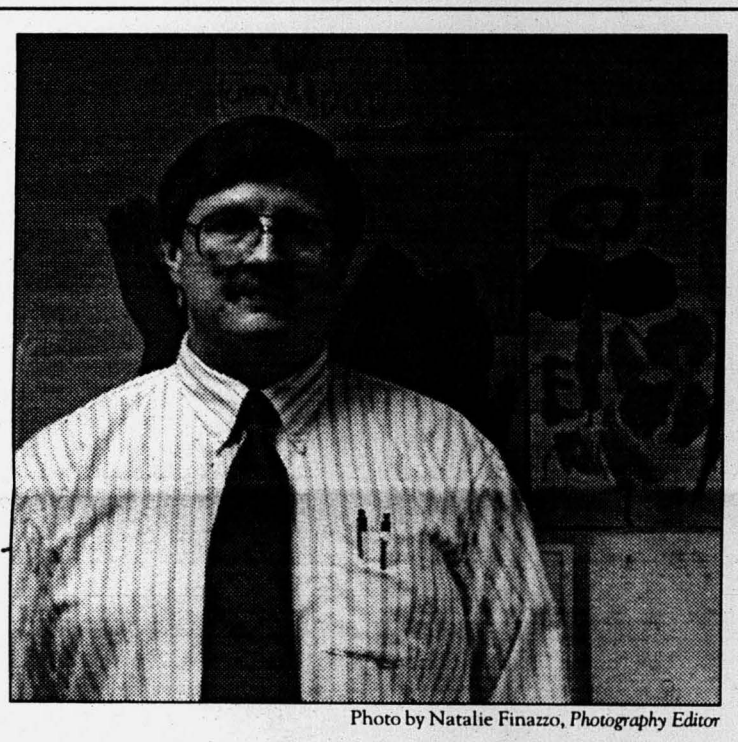


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Faculty Profile: Linards Stratins

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Students at UW-Stout voted Linards Stratins the best professor/faculty/staff member in this year's Best of Menomonie. When asked to comment on this honor, he answers with a shy shrug, "Did I get one vote?"

This assistant professor in the Technology department speaks with genuine excitement when he explains that this was the reason he chose teaching, to reach out to students.

More importantly, Stratins shows obvious respect for his students. He feels that teachers should work just as hard bringing materials into the classroom as the standards they set for the students. He also wants to "break the corners off" the graduating students. This is his way of teaching future engineers to take the edge off the current reputation of engineers in the workforce.

As a child, Stratins was the one who was always taking things apart. Not too ironically, cars have also been more than an interest to him. His enthusiasm emanates as he talks casually of how deep his fascination runs "If we [his wife and him] go anywhere and there is a hood open, I am drawn to it." What he claims will take only five minutes often results in an hour or two under the hood.

Along with teaching, Stratins' time is balanced between advisorship of the UW-Stout Auto Club and the Society of Automotive Engineers. He is now coaching the Society of Automotive Engineers in the building of a vehicle with hopes of competing in the SAE Mini-Baja.

As for his professional goals, Stratins is working on finishing his PH.D. at UW-Madison. His teaching goals include putting finishing touches on the new Manufacturing Engineering Masters Program that is making its way to Stout. Lastly, he wishes to give his students more tools to take with them into their careers.

"Education here shows each person what doors to open into the professional world," Stratins says, "the books are our tools."

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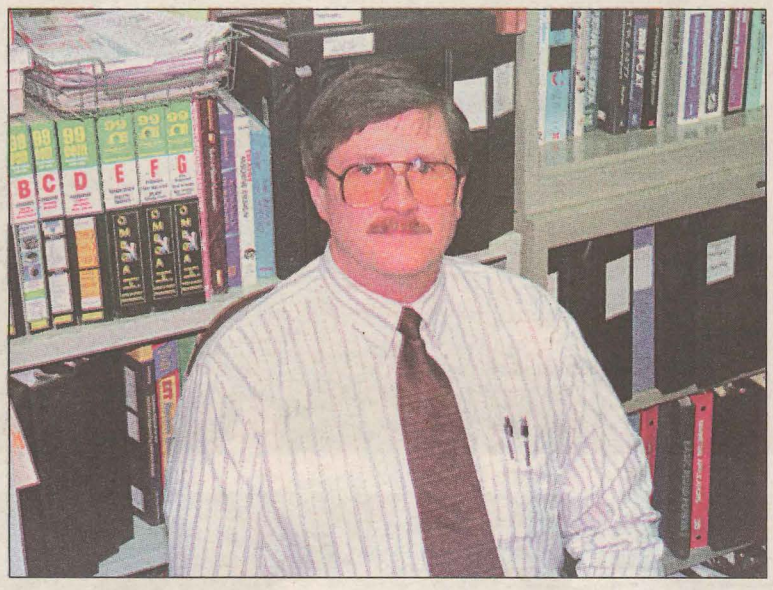
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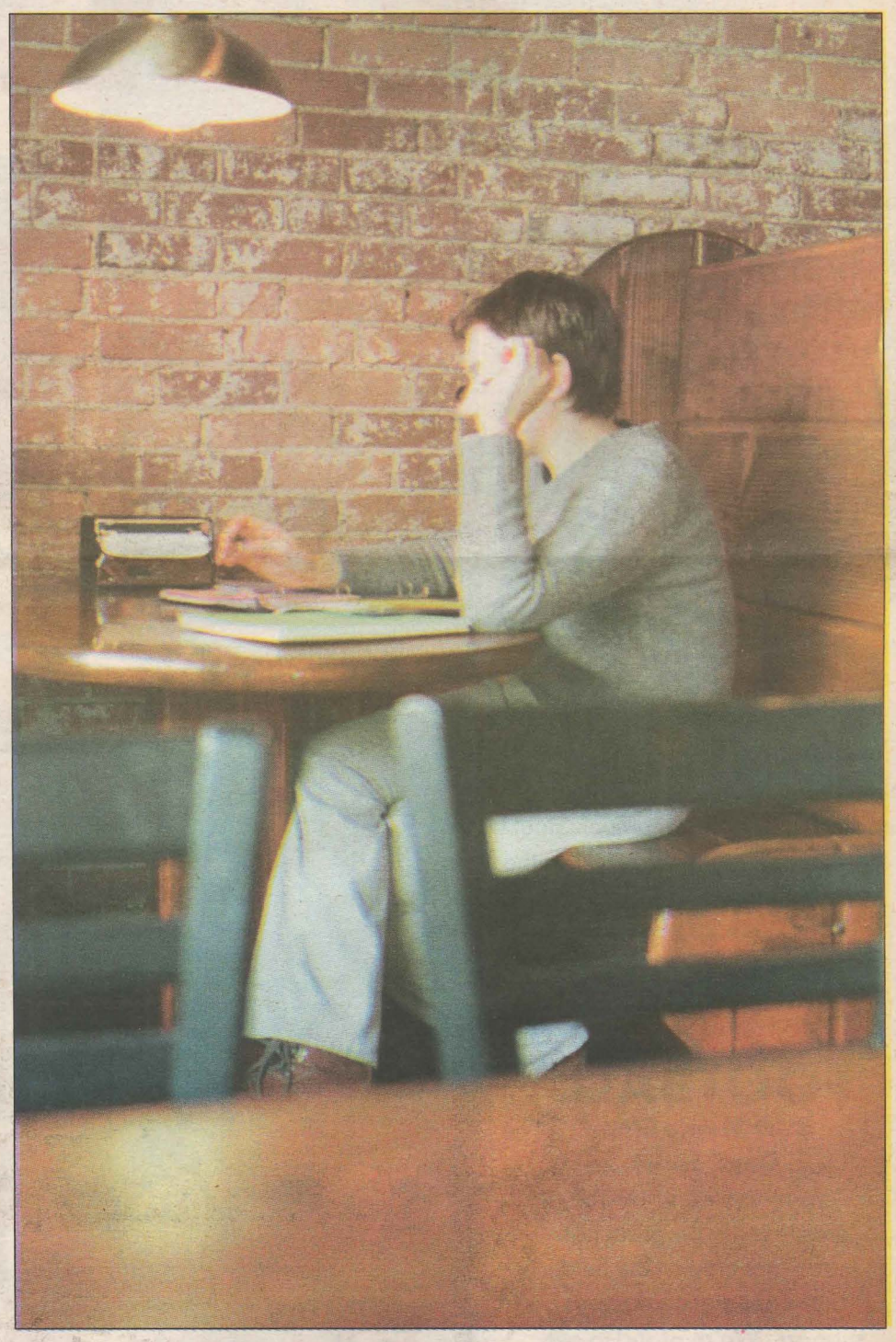
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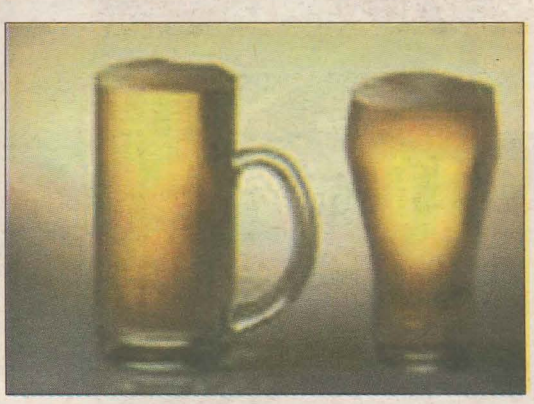




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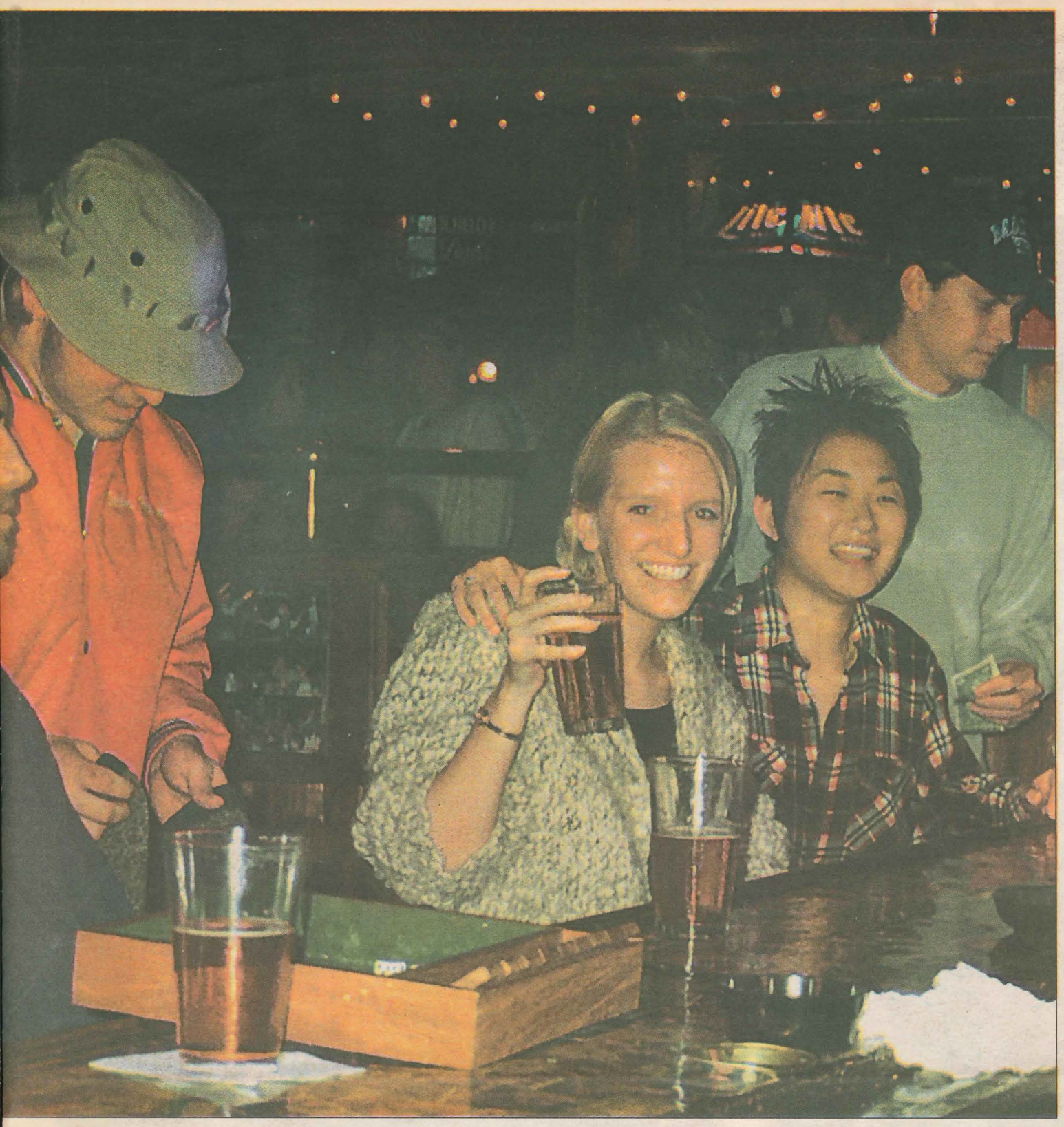
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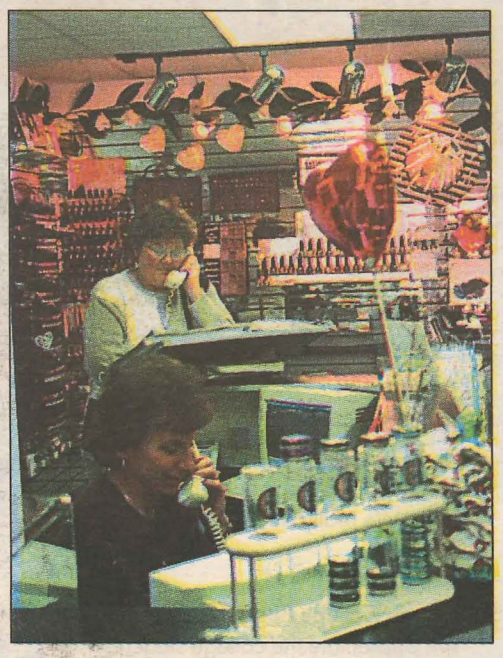
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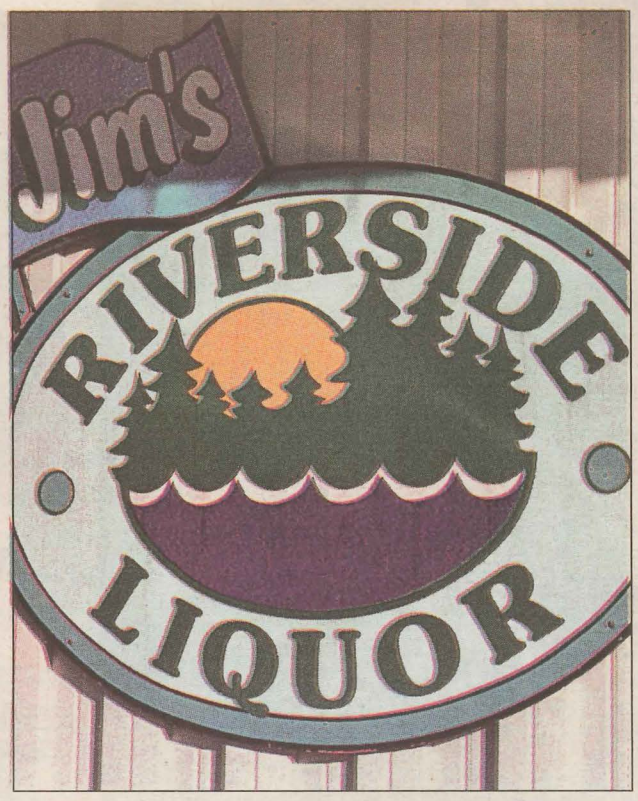
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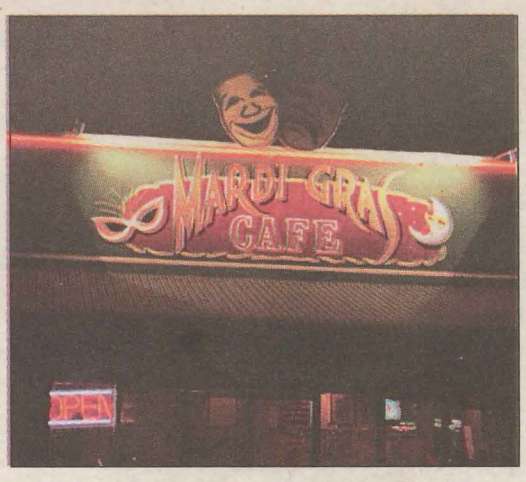
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Top 100 movie picks of all time: volume two

Top 100 movies

75. Forrest Gump
74. Teenwolf
73. Mallrats
72. Airborne
71. A Streetcar Named Desire
70. Roadhouse
69. Flatliners
68. Annie
67. Ghost
66. Toy Story
65. Young Guns
64. Vision Quest
63. The Never-ending Story
62. As Good as it Gets
61. 16 Candles
60. Boyz N' the Hood
59. Grease
58. Above the Rim
57. Men in Black
56. Raising Cain
55. So I Married an Ax Murderer
54. Fallen
53. Son in Law
52. The Truman Show
51. Spaceballs

Welcome back everyone! I'm sure you all were just dying to see what the next 25 movies on my list would be. So without further ado, here they are:



75. *Forrest Gump* was great. Granted it doesn't have much for plot and it runs a little long, but it's got such a happy feeling to it.

74. There's something about *Teenwolf* that I just love. I watch it every time it comes on TV. I especially love the part when they do the teenwolf dance at the prom.

73. *Mallrats* made me laugh my ass off. The insane dialogue and plot, added with the characters of Silent Bob and Jay, puts this movie into a class of its own.

72. For those of you who have seen *Airborne*, you're probably thinking that I'm a moron for putting it in my top 100. I can't blame you either, but the idiot in me just loves it.

71. One word... STELLA!!

70. Patrick Swayze at his highest peak. *Roadhouse* is like watching a two hour bar fight, and we all know Americans like to watch a bunch of drunken hicks go at it. Just ask Jerry Springer.

69. *Flatliners* gets the great distinction of being number 69 just for its one-of-a-kind plot. I don't know who would come up with the idea of shocking your friends to death and then bringing them back to life, but it sure makes a great movie.

68. *Annie* is the only musical that made it onto my top 100. How could you hate a singing and dancing orphan anyway? Although if I was an orphan and a guy named Daddy Warbucks wanted to adopt me, I'd probably think he was a pimp.

67. I just put *Ghost* on my list to try and get me a girlfriend.

66. The kid in me just loved the storyline for *Toy Story*. It was the first feature length movie to be done in all computer graphics. By the end you almost forget you're watching a cartoon.

65. I saw *Young Guns* at about age nine with some friends and we spent the whole summer trying to reenact it. It's my favorite western to date.

64. *Vision Quest*, another one of those not so well known movies. If you've never really been a huge fan of wrestling, this movie might make you change your mind.

63. *The Never-ending Story* is a children's sci-fi classic. One of my close friends actually likes it so much that he swears he's naming his first born child Atrayu. How screwed up is that?

62. *As Good as it Gets* is one of those movies that leaves you with a good feeling. Jack Nicholson is good, but Helen Hunt's performance is what makes this movie great.

61. I can't get enough of 80s movies. Especially the ones with Molly Ringwald, which is basically all of them.

60. This is a great "hood" movie. I don't know if it's very realistic but there's just something about *Boyz 'n' the Hood* that appeals to me.

59. *Grease* is so cheesy and perfect that I can't help but like it. It seems that all women are helpless against John Travolta's powers. Resistance is futile!

58. *Above the Rim* is my favorite basketball movie. It was cheesy at times, but it did a good job of portraying the common inner-city hoop dream.

57. Will Smith does it all. Rapping, TV sitcoms, fatherhood, and now movies. He's the Martha Stewart of entertainment.

56. *Raising Cain* reminded me a lot of Alfred Hitchcock movies. The plot line was unique but it has the typical thriller ending. "Oh my God; he's not dead!!"

55. Mike Myers is great in *So I Married an Axe Murderer*. Every time I see this film it grows on me a little bit more.

54. I love the twist they put on the end of *Fallen*. It's one of the few Denzel Washington films I like.

53. Pauly Shore may make some horrible movies, but once in awhile he'll crank one out like this classic, *Son in Law*. Who knew farm life could look so fun?

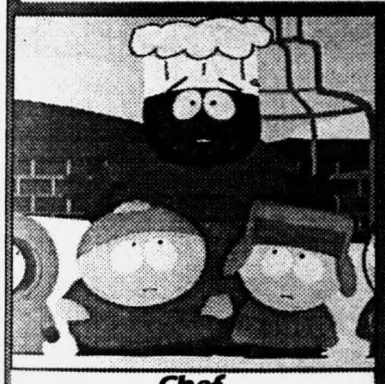
52. *The Truman Show* had such a cool feeling to it. The only thing I hated was the ending, and I can just bet that the Disney corporation is already working on the real life version.

51. Mel Brooks is one of those comic gurus. If there is one thing that I love to do, it's to quote movies, and I quote from *Spaceballs* all the time.

Well, there you have 'em. Hopefully they made your return to Stout seem a little more pleasant. Keep your eyes peeled for the next 25. Lord knows we need something to look forward to besides the mound of homework piling up!

-That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it-

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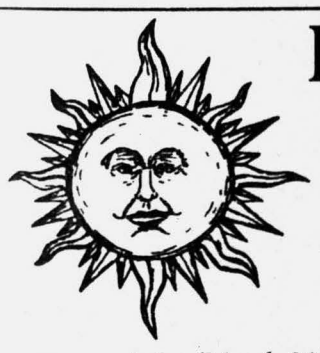
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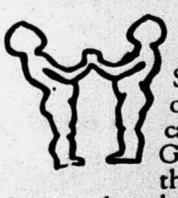
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) A whole month off was quite a doozy for you, huh? Now that you're sick from working over break, you can get back to taking exams, homework, meetings, homework, and don't forget about the homework. The fun never ends.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) You're tired of all your relatives saying how easy college life must be. They act like it's a nonstop party. But deep inside, you know that's all nonsense. The weekend doesn't start until Wednesday night.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Start the semester off right. Don't get caught unprepared. Get a couple of those notebook things and maybe a pencil.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22) As if you could stand the Jack Frost nipping at your body parts at home, now you get to come back to school and walk to classes in this frozen tundra we call Wisconsin. Goody gumdrops.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You'll finally start to wonder why you wake up every morning stuffed inside your pillowcase, however, nothing will pan out...yet.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) The stars say you might slip on some ice today. But you might not either.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) A termite named Woody will come to visit you and your humble home. He will delight you with a little dance. Then you'll look away for one second to find nothing but your plastic lawn furniture.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Decide to help out and contribute to the food pantry today. Perhaps you could dig deep in your cupboards for the oldest can of peas you have. For some reason, this is a very popular donation.



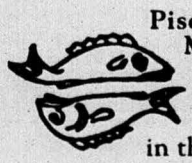
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Tonight you'll awaken suddenly to find your roommate sitting six inches away from your face. I would find a new roommate before tomorrow night.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) In a nutshell? This semester might suck.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) You'll become extremely motivated after watching a few segments of "Martha Stewart." Soon you'll be hand crafting your own homemade notebook paper and covering assignments with small frilly doilies.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) In an unfortunate mishap, you'll get stuck in the dryer while trying to warm up. However, many will comment on your "Downy fresh scent."



Everlast rides again, and sings us the blues

If the theory about cats having nines live applies to musicians, Everlast has reached his second.

The former House of Pain frontman has achieved a second chance on his late 1998 release "Whitey Ford Sings the Blues." Radio stations have picked up on the releases first single, *What it's Like*.



The song has cast a spotlight on the singer, as the waiting audience has noticed how provacative the rapper's dialogue has become. He now duels with Brittany Spears for the hottest track of the new year.

The most shocking aspect of the new CD is Everlast's change of pace. Is this the same man who told us to *Jump Around* during our high school years while we all went nuts? Here he replaces crass comments and sexual (and sometimes more blatant) innuendos with heart-strong and all-out brave lyrics.

Nowhere is this more apparent than in the opening six tracks. Here Everlast gives a state-of-the-world address of sorts, letting everyone see what he sees. He shows the dark side and greed money causes (*Ends*) while admitting to being a part of the problem (*Money [Dollar Bill]*). He also warns the world of becoming a copycat and "rocking the same whack jams" on *Get Down*.

But nowhere are Everlast's thoughts heard more clearly than on his hot track, *What it's Like*. Here he gives the ballad of three lowly souls, a beggar, a pregnant teen, and a dead-end father, in a cruel world. The soloist's voice pulls at the listeners' heartstrings, making the song a tough one to dislike.

Unfortunately, the release has as many shortcomings as there are hits. The new sound opens up Everlast for these defeats. In fact, past the intro tracks, Everlast's voice loses its vigor, and the release is spotty at best. Only two tracks shine through in a land of which is mainly filler material, *Hot to Death* and *Next Man*, where the singer preaches to look out for those around you.

Despite the new sound, Everlast has not forgotten his roots. In fact, the Los Angeles native keeps in close contact with former Pain-er DJ Lethal, now the backbone of the hard rock band Limp Bizkit.

On his first release after the House of Pain break-up, Everlast earns a two-and-a-half. Succeeding on his opening set, but losing variability and effectiveness in later tracks.

Everlast and House of Pain have secured their longevity in the music world with this and past successes. As a testament, Limp Bizkit, DJ Lethal's new group, ended their set on the Family Values tour performing the 1992 smash *Jump Around*, for adoring fans.



Photo collage by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Ever-lution. With one of the hottest new tracks of 1999, Everlast (left, with House of Pain) has transformed himself from a shallow rapper into a heart-felt, almost folksy, artist. The release begins with some great sounds, but ends with weak ballads and monotonous tunes.

Other white hip-hop hopefuls

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Blue Devils bring hope back to the hoop

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

Stumbling into town after a long winter's nap, sports fans of Menomonie hung their heads. The return of NBA action was too little, too late and certainly too much of a letdown. And the other local letdown left many speechless (or, on the contrary, full of colored commentary) as Purple Pride was swallowed, leaving a lump in the throat.

Alas, though we may never again see the underside of a pair of Nike Air Jordans from the creator himself, basketball fans can count on the Blue Devils to lift their spirits to Jordanesque heights. Here are just a few triumphs and travesties plucked from a long string of games over the semester break. As always, ladies first:

Womens Basketball

Jan. 2

Stout held Northland College scoreless for about four minutes in the second half on their way to a 67-56 non-conference win at Ashland.

Holding on to a slim 47-44 lead with 11 minutes remaining in the contest, the Blue Devils shut down Northland on 10 straight possessions.

Jan. 11

Four UW-Stout players scored in double figures, and Tina Gillen set a new single game record for blocked shots as Stout downed UW-Platteville, 86-72, in Platteville.

Stout shot 50 percent from the 3-point line. The Blue Devils needed the long distance plays to offset the Pioneer advantage at the free throw line.

Jan. 13

Heather Peterson hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer to send the game into overtime, but Stout wore out in the extra period, falling 76-72, at UW-Stevens Point.

The Pointers outscored Stout 13-9 in overtime to score the win. The loss dropped the Blue Devils into a two-way tie with UW-River Falls for fifth place.

Jan. 23

Using a stifling full-court press in the first half, the team shot out to a 43-25 half-time lead, then had to hang on for the ride as they edged past UW-Whitewater, 73-70, at Johnson Fieldhouse.

The Blue Devils forced 14 Warhawk turnovers in the first half, and turned several of those turnovers into points.

The Warhawks then began to pound hard underneath, pulling to within 69-67, primarily on three consecutive baskets by Vanessa Rieder, a 6-foot, 5-inch post player. It was Rieder who brought the score to a knuckle-whitening 71-70.

Draining both of her penalty shots, Rachel Traynor brought the game final to 73-70 and put Stout to the .500 mark for the first time this season.

Stout will be at UW-Eau Claire Saturday, Jan. 30.

Men's Basketball

Jan. 6

After a three week break, the UW-Stout Mens Basketball Team was not about to be disappointed, producing a 81-67 embarrassment of UW-River Falls deep in the Falcolns' nest.

With the score tied 59-59 and seven minutes left in the game, the Blue Devils went on a tear, utilizing three 3-pointers and solid defensive attack.

Ben Kuepers made two free throws, then picked up the crowd noise with a hoop action replica dunk, putting the icing on Stout's control of the game from then on.

The Blue Devil return also featured the return of Aaron Vachowiak, who had been out since early December with an ankle injury, and Rik Bertin, back on the court after an entire semester's rest.

Jan. 13

Aaron Vachowiak scored six points in the final two minutes to help lift UW-Stout to a 67-63 home win over UW-Stevens Point.

With the scored tied 58-58, Vachowiak gave Stout a one point lead with a free throw, then sealed a three point play on a lay-up and a foul.

The Blue Devils made 7-of-9 free throws down the final stretch as they fought off a Stevens Point comeback.

Jan. 20

UW-La Crosse's Paul Manchester hit a 3-pointer with 16 seconds remaining in the game to hand UW-Stout an 82-80 loss in front of the home crowd.

The Blue Devils met halftime with a 43-32 lead and maintained it throughout the game, but Manchester's steal led to the heartbreaking shot .

Jan. 23

UW-Whitewater jumped all over UW-Stout early in the second half as the Warhawks downed the Blue Devils, 86-77, at Whitewater.

Stout's Ben Kuepers led all scorers with 25 points, one short of his career high, before fouling out.

A devastating blow to the Blue Devils on both ends of the court was the play of Whitewater's bench, which outscored Stout's bench 35-7.

The Blue Devils return to action Saturday, Jan. 30, when they host UW-Eau Claire at 7 p.m. The Blugolds are two games ahead of Stout in WIAC standings, and sitting in fourth place.

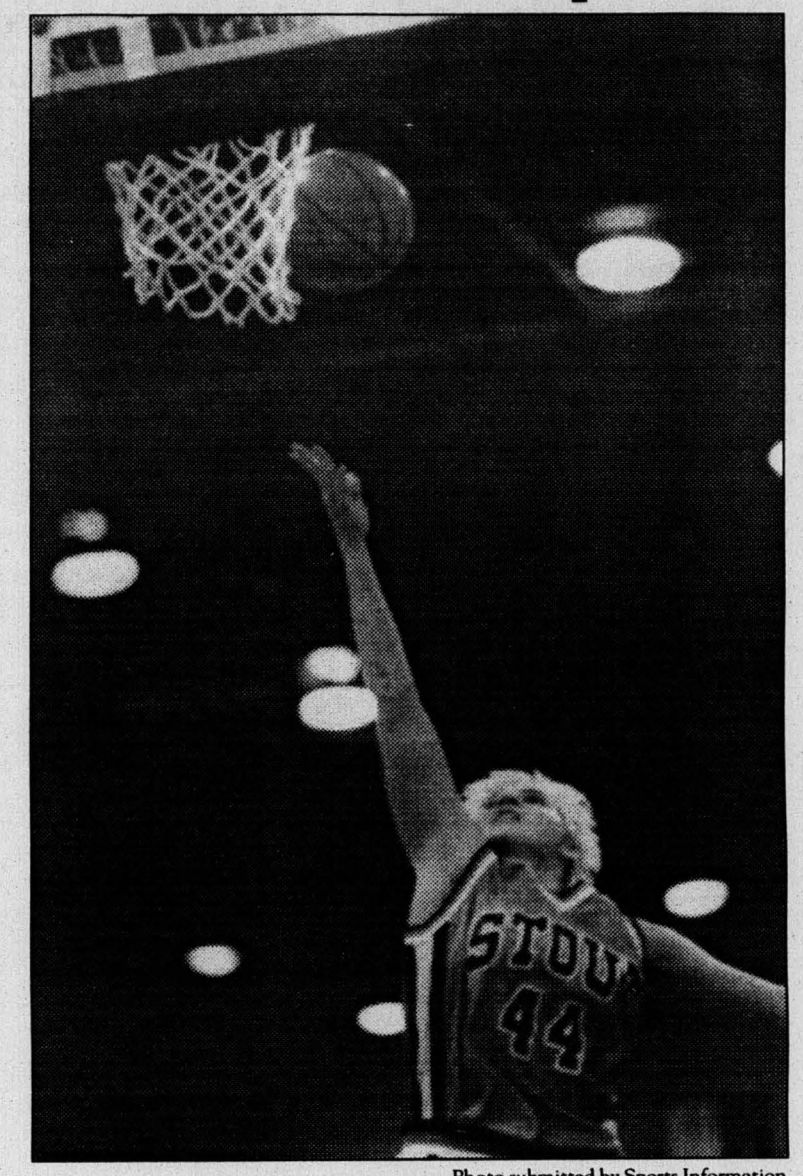


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Heather Peterson stretches for a lay-up to the rim as Blue Devil Basketball resumes play. In a game against UW-Superior, Peterson led Stout with a career-high 21 points and 12 rebounds, her second double-double this month.



Photo submitted by Sports Information

Andrea Hassel starts a short sprint to the vault, one of three events in which she gained a career best score during a meet against heavily favored Hamline University. Hassel helped to increase Stout's scores on vault and floor nearly four points over their season bests.

Gymnasts walk away with Winter Wonderland events

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

Jeff Richards wasn't exactly dealt a bad hand when he came on as head coach of the Blue Devil Gymnasts, but he has had his work cut out for him trying to fill his card in competition events. As he has added gymnasts to each event, it is no coincidence that the team has been able to improve on their previous scores.

With only six gymnasts on the roster this season, after losing several key veterans, the young team has somehow managed to hold their own against the big teams and suffer through the little injuries.

Jan. 9

The team improved their overall score by more than 12 points as they competed in a dual meet at UW-Oshkosh, falling 137.225-92.325.

The Blue Devils filled out their card in only two events, competing five gymnasts on the vault and four on the floor.

Brenna Jones, competing with an injured heel, paced the Blue Devils in all events and tied for third on the vault with an 8.575. Jones finished with an 8.55 on the floor and a 31.875 in the all-around competition.

Jan. 18

Armed with a team of only six gymnasts, Stout continued to show improvement as the Blue Devils nearly cracked the 100 point mark, falling to national power Hamline University, 140.60-99.775, at Johnson Fieldhouse.

Brenna Jones was the only gymnast to crack the top four, placing fourth on the floor exercise with an 8.65. Jones finished with a season-high 32.40 in the all-around.

Andrea Hassel and Lauren Seebert shared career best on the vault, balance beam, and floor exercise.

As a team, the Blue Devils showed vast improvement on the beam and floor, scoring nearly four points over their season high on both events.

Jan. 23

Brenna Jones finished fourth on the floor exercise and eighth in the all-around competition to lead UW-Stout at the UW-Eau Claire Winter Wonderland Gymnastics Invitational.

Jones scored an 8.85 on the floor and a 31.450 in the all-around. Andrea Hassel finished seventh on the balance beam with an 8.15.

As a team, the Blue Devils finished fifth in the five-team event, scoring 95.35 points. The meet was a near preview to the WIAC meet which will be hosted by UW-Stout Feb. 26.

Stout plays host to Gustavus Adolphus Wednesday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m.

Stout loses four straight over winter break

Early leads and hat tricks are marred by futile comebacks, lagging third period offensive efforts, and run-away losses

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

With a winter break consisting of endless travel, Stout's Men' s Hockey Team suffered through some tough lossses on the road. Now, with an upcoming stretch of games at home, they hope to recoup their losses and bring a little fire to the Dunn County Ice Arena this weekend.

Jan. 8

UW-Stout's Kevin Aube scored a hat trick, the first of his collegiate career, but it wasn't enough to topple Bemidji State in the wake of four unanswered Beavers goals in the third period. The Blue Devils could not hang on to a close game as they were defeated 5-4 in Bemidji, Minn.

Aube, who had gone into the game with six goals, scored the first goal of the game with six minutes off the clock. The Beavers knotted the score in the first, but Stout's offense came alive in the second with three goals to take a 4-1 lead.

Aube scored again seven minutes into the second period. The Blue Devils' Joe Berry contributed his second goal of the season. Five minutes later, Aube completed the hat trick on his second power play goal of the evening.

The Blue Devil offense ran out of tricks, risking only three shots on goal in the third period, while getting pelted with 13 shots on goal, two of them unstoppable, in the final minutes.

Stout goalie Ben Plester recorded 33 saves, while the Beavers' Adam Pavlatos stopped 26.

Jan. 9

Greg Foster gave UW-Stout an early lead, but it would be the only lead of the evening for the Blue Devils as Stout fell, 6-3, to Bemidji State in NCHA action in Bemidji, Minn.

Foster took an assist from Kevin Aube three minutes into the game, giving Stout an unstable lead. The Beavers answered back nine minutes later on a goal by Chris Bodnar.

The Beavers took command in the second period with two goals in the first three minutes. Stout tightened the score when Andy Anderson teamed up with Jason Jones at the seven minute mark to make it 4-2. Bemidji squeezed in one last goal with 30 seconds remaining in the period.

The Beavers took a 6-2 lead midway through the third period. Stout's Kelly Selix, on an assist by Luke Murray, scored with five minutes left in the game to finish the scoring at 6-3.

Stout attacked the net well in the first period, out-shooting Bemidji 10-8, but the Beavers held a 41-24 advantage at the end of the game. Blue Devil goalie Todd Sether made 35 saves; Bemidji's Adam Pavaltos and Matt Anderson combined for 21 saves.

Although no consolation to the loss, the Bemidji win was at least one well earned. The Beavers will become an NCAA Division I program next season.

Jan. 22

UW-Stout took a 2-1 lead on goals by Luke Murray and Greg Foster but St. Norbert scored five goals soon after and went on to down the Blue Devils, 7-3, at the DePere Ice Arena last Friday.

The Green Knights jumped to a 1-0 lead in the first period, but Murray and Foster answered back with a vengeance in the NCHA contest.

St. Norbert spread five goals over the second and third periods before Stout's Kelly Selix answered with a consolation goal. Murray picked up the assist.

From then on, St. Norbert's toyed with the Blue Devils, adding one last goal for good measure.

Jan. 23

UW-Stout could capitalize on only one of nine power play opportunities and fell, 5-2, to St. Norbert in De Pere.

The Blue Devils' only power play goal came late in the game when Graham Lomen scored the final goal of the game, on assists from Greg Foster and RJ Schriefer.

St. Norbert jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first period, but Stout's Mark Corbett took an assist from Lomen and Luke Murray to bring the score to 2-1 with only nine minutes lost to the clock.

The Green Knights put an end to any Stout comeback, scoring a goal a minute later, then adding two more midway through the third period.

After more than 30 days on the road, the Blue Devils return to their native ice for a pair of games against St. Scholastica Jan. 29-30 at the Dunn County Ice Arena. Both games start at 7:30 p.m. Ticker-tape and tail-gate with discretion.

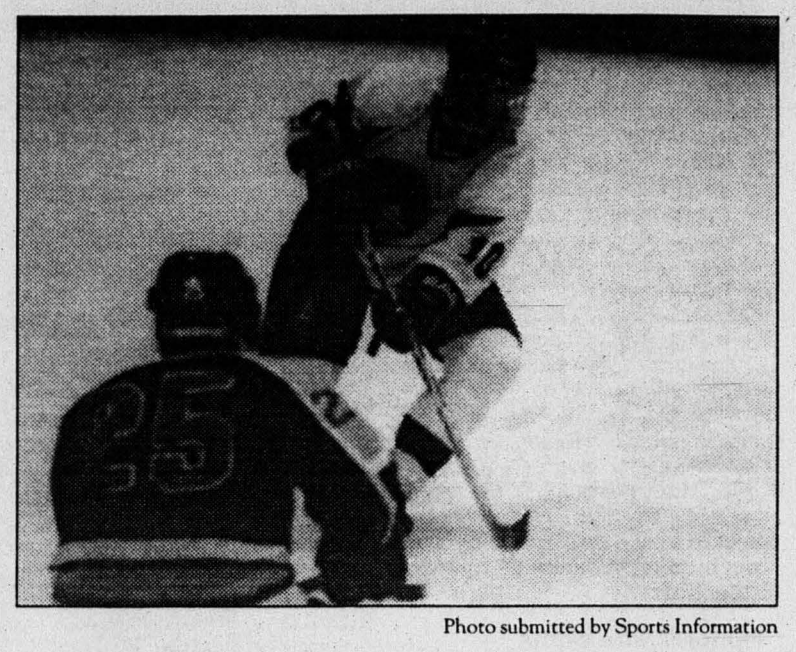


Photo submitted by Sports Information

Kevin Aube (10) contemplates a Bemidji defender before scoring his first collegiate hat trick. Aube participated in four goals in the two-game series against the Beavers, but Stout could not capitalize on his efforts, losing both in Bemidji.

The Agenda

Sports Schedule

Mens and Womens Indoor Track & Field
Fri. Jan. 29 at 4 p.m.
at UW-Eau Claire Invitational

Mens Basketball
Sat. Jan. 30 at 7 p.m.
vs. UW-Eau Claire

Womens Basketball
Sat. Jan. 30 at 7 p.m.
at UW-Eau Claire

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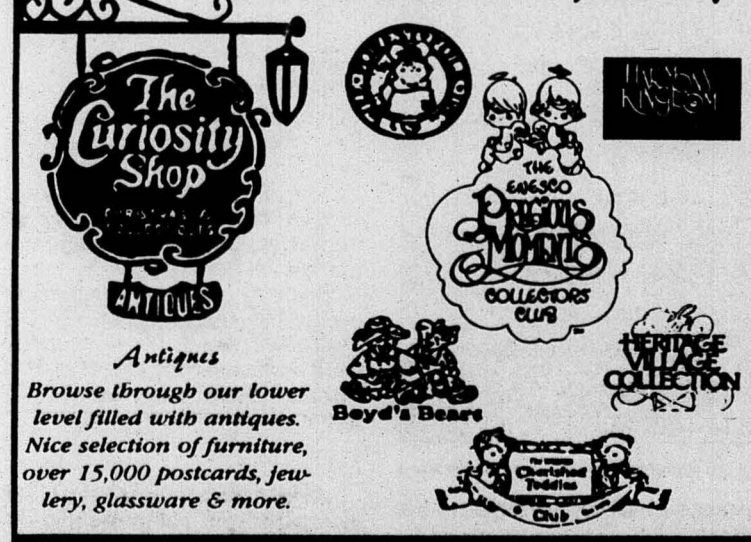
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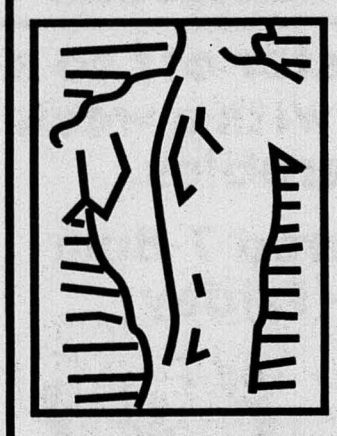
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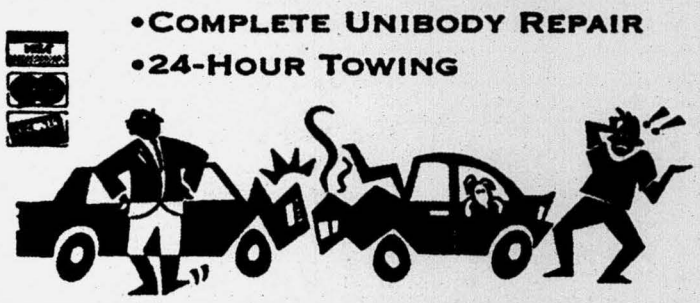
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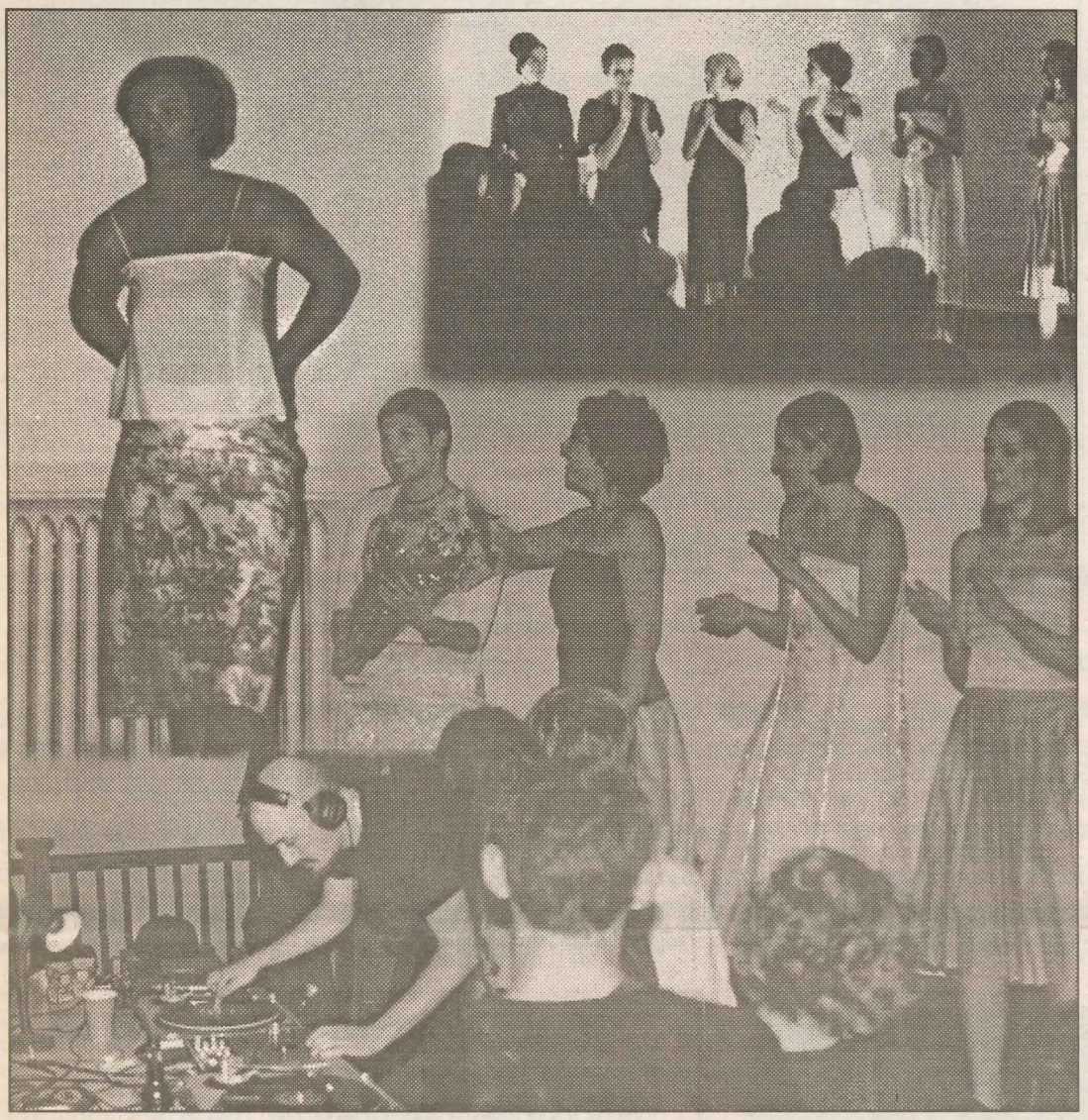
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Acoustic loft houses all night fashion bash



Photos by Lisa Harris, *Staff Photographer* Collage by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Jennifer Olsen, one of Stout's own Apparel Design students, hosted her eye popping designs with classmate and friend George Moskal. The unveiling of her line took place at the old Masonic Temple, above Acoustic Cafe on Jan. 29 and lasted from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m.

Housing Fair makes renting stress free

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Landlord might well be the favorite grumbling word around campus. Whether it's repairs years past due, arguing over lease terms, or finding a $500 cleaning bill for someone to come mop the floor, off-campus renters can feel the sting of this complicated relationship. But rather than resigning to sticking it out in the dorms, learning the rules of the game can make off-campus housing a breeze.

The Stout Student Association has teamed up with landlords, the city council, building inspectors, and lawyers for the past 14 years to bring us the Housing Fair. Prospective landlord and tenants find one another here, free legal advice is passed out, and building inspectors are on hand for any barrage of questions. This all-day affair has one underlying goal: to empower the student renter.

"It seems there is a real inequity between landlords and tenants when it comes to power," Trina Chernos, campus attorney, said. She will be at the Housing Fair and consults with students for a small fee, roughly $5.

The fair is about convenience too, as photos and videotapes of properties are showcased, making it easy to pick out those worth touring. This is also prime time to shop for landlords; good landlords are often more important than the housing they sell. Renters can meet landlords, discuss rules, look over contracts, and just plain shop for that perfect relationship they're bound to for a year.

Jason Zweifel, the Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs Director for SSA, plans the project, and is the one to consult with throughout the year on rental issues. He has coached dozens of students on finding their way out of a potential mess. Towards the beginning of the year, he receives 10-20 calls per month from students. The number one complaint? Illegal entry by landlords. Wisconsin landlords can enter an apartment only under certain circumstances and by following set procedures. WI Stats. 704.5(2) requires landlords to give advance notice of entry and they may only enter to inspect or show the premises, make repairs, or in an emergency.

Renters have a myriad of rights, mostly unknown to them. In fact, manuals covering over 300 such topics are available for reference at the SSA office. Zweifel believes the majority of students have experienced a rental problem or have been confused as to their rights, but just nev-

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Stout prepares for Millennium

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Time is counting down to the year 2000. Most have heard of the complications this could create in this computer-based society, but what should we expect?

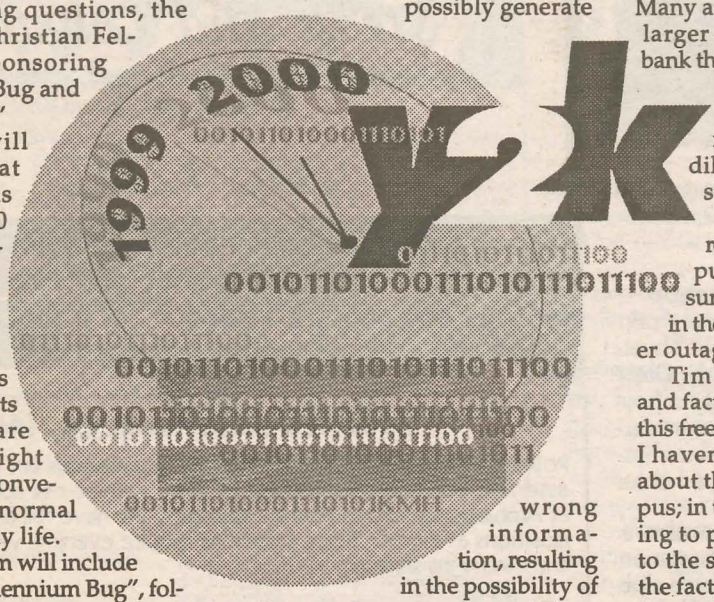
To help answer some of these mind boggling questions, the Maranatha Christian Fellowship is sponsoring "Millennium Bug and the Year 2000."

They will examine what complications the year 2000 bug could create for our society. They will also analyze some of the predictions made by experts to help prepare ourselves in light of possible inconveniences to the normal routine of daily life.

The program will include the video "Millennium Bug", followed by a discussion period with an opportunity for questions and answers.

This problem was created back in the 1960s when computer programmers were trying to save space and money. They dropped the first two digits of the year so 1999 appears as 99.

Now, at the turn of the millennium, the computers will read 00, but it won't be to represent the year 2000, instead it will stand for 1900. This could cause computer systems to shut down or possibly generate wrong information, resulting in the possibility of all computer systems crashing. When you take into account that the average American relies on 250 computers every day, the effects of this problem could be disastrous! Almost everything in our society is computer based, from ATM machines and telephone systems to Health Care facilities and our government.



While there is no clear agreement among sober experts on how extensive the gliche's impact could be on society, most agree that some general preparation is a good idea. Many are planning to withdraw a larger amount of cash from the bank than usual in the months preceding the turn of the millennium. It is also recommended that all keep diligent records of bank and stock records.

Grocery stores already report a surge in dried goods purchases. Many are buying surpluses of candles and water in the event of a temporary power outage.

Tim Gehring hopes students and faculty will take advantage of this free program. "Up to this point I haven't heard a lot addressed about the year 2000 issue on campus; in this presentation I am hoping to provide some information to the students, so they can have the facts and make a judgment for themselves as far as what the issue is all about."

The presentation will be held from 3:30- 5:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 8 in Crystal Ball room C of the Memorial Student Center.

Pedestrians and motorists clash

by Jasmine Hollyfield
Staff Reporter

Recently there have been a number of complaints received by not only the Menomonie Police Department, but campus police as well, concerning pedestrians crossing the streets of Menomonie.

While an act as simple as crossing the street seems rather mundane, these reports site incidents where students have narrowly been missed by passing vehicles. There haven't been any serious accidents, but this doesn't mean that there won't be some time in the future.

"I shouldn't almost be killed while walking to class. Drivers should be more aware of those students who are crossing the streets," Melissa Kettleson, junior, said.

"We want to prevent any serious accidents from occurring. Some of this stuff seems very common sense, yet there have been many complaints," Sergeant Lisa Walter, said.

These complaints haven't only addressed pedestrians, but motorists as well. Drivers need to be aware of their surroundings. Most accidents occur when they are in a hurry. "If it takes setting the alarm clock five minutes early so that you're not in a hurry, then do it," Walter suggested.

"Our biggest problem is with north campus students. Those not living in JTC halls don't cross the bridge when leaving for class. They then attempt to cross Broadway or other

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Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

While crosswalks are scattered throughout campus, students often fail to use them, something the police say is causing near misses.

Crosswalk/posing a threat

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streets at dangerous times," Officer Randy Richter of the Menomonie Police Department said.

Some of the tips Richter and Walter offer include utilizing the "buddy system" when walking to campus (two heads are better than one), expecting the unexpected, using the well-lit areas (the best being the route along Crescent to 2nd Street), and being aware of road conditions.

Failure to abide by safe rules could result in certain traffic violations. "We really don't want to hand out tickets. That is our last resort. We really hope people can just use their heads and avoid any accidents," Walter said. If a pedestrian impedes traffic or crosses mid-block, the fine is $98.30. A motorist's failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk will knock four demerit points off the license and also includes a $122.90 fine. Pedestrians movement into traffic will resulting in a $110.60 fine. If a vehicle is stopping for a pedestrian to cross and the car behind decides to pass it, the latter will receive a $270 fine.

"Both [motorist and pedestrian] have the right of way in certain circumstances, but that is a right that they need to be granted, not attempt to take. Otherwise someone might be right - dead right," Officer Richter said.

Cashing in at the Silent Auction



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff photographer*

CMAA held a silent auction Feb. 3, giving students a chance to purchase wines, golfing packages, clothing, and accessories at dirt cheap prices. The event is held yearly.

Housing Fair/empowering student renters

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er ask. Yet on the reverse side, he warns that many think they're right by law, only to find out they did something wrong. Either way, he urges students to call him before they act.

Zweifel hopes to change the fact that students often bind themselves and their money to a contract that they often don't understand. He will go over the lease signing process with students at the fair or by appointment.

The Housing Director is also in the process of forming a Landlord/Tenant Association, although he has not received enough support from area landlords yet. Zweifel believes the board is needed as a third party way to negotiate problems.

"Students think they're right and landlords think that they're right, and when you get two groups together like this, you need a mediator," he said.

Zweifel can be contacted at the SSA office, 232-2272.

The fair will be held Feb. 10 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center.

Police Beat

Compiled by Shannon Haase from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Vehicle damage and theft

On Jan. 25, nine reports of vehicle vandalism and theft of personal property were reported. In Lot #5, a total of $2,843.75 of property including stereo equipment, tools, cash, radar detectors, and Stout parking permits were stolen from seven of the vehicles. Costs of the damage to the vehicles has not yet been estimated. Two juveniles have been apprehended trying to break into another vehicle in Lot #5. It has not yet been determined if they are connected to the nine acts of vandalism and the seven robberies.

Theft

In Lot #18, $1,530 of photography equipment was stolen from a vehicle on Jan. 25, between the hours of 4:10 and 9:45 p.m. No one was given permission to remove the equipment.

Ice auger thieves caught

On the night of Jan. 29, officers tailed two male subjects walking on 2nd Street W. One of the subjects was carrying a power ice auger. The subjects were stopped, and they admitted to removing the auger from a pickup truck parked near the downtown recreation area. The subject carrying the auger was cited for theft and turned over to the Menomonie P.D., and the scene was cleared.

Aid to the cooking impaired

The Menomonie Fire Department was dispatched to HKMC for an active fire alarm. The false alarm on the 4th floor of Hansen Hall was triggered by burnt popcorn.

Citations

Between Jan. 29 and Feb. 4, there were nine citations for underage drinking.

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Bacteria a possible cause of heart problems?

A new study recently found that antibiotics used to treat bacteria have been able to lower the risk of a heart attack. This study provides another important step in understanding the origins of heart problems.

Interest rates remain the same

Wednesday marked the end of a two-day, closed-door policy meeting held by the Federal Open Market Committee. It was announced that short-term interest rates currently at 4.75 percent will remain unchanged.

Plane ticket fees on the rise

Airline travelers may soon be paying more for the convenience of flying. The White House would like to raise the cost of plane tickets in order to fund airport construction and air traffic control programs.

Caffeine use hereditary

If a person had parents who drank large amounts of caffeine, chances are that person will also be addicted to it, according to a new study. The study, which focused on the caffeine dependency of twins, found that its use is largely influenced by genes.

Blumenthal deposition

President Clinton's aide Sidney Blumenthal finished his deposition against Clinton on Wednesday, and the Senate is expected to vote on Thursday regarding the need to call live witnesses. Blumenthal testified before the Grand Jury that Clinton had referred to Monica Lewinsky as "the stalker." After three hours of questioning, House Managers hoped to prove that Clinton used Blumenthal to blame Lewinsky.

University Notes

Compiled by Kelly Neidt from submitted news releases

Parking services gathers input

Two construction projects will result in a substantial short-term loss of campus parking services in the upcoming school year. Three open forums will be held on Feb. 9, 10, and 11 to gather input from residents and students. Tuesday's meeting will be held at 8:00-9:00 a.m. in the Cedarwood Room in the MSC, Wednesday's meeting will be held from 12:15-1:30 p.m. in the Prairie Room of the MSC, and Thursday's meeting will be held at 3:30- 4:30 p.m. in the Cedarwood Room. If unable to attend, comments can be sent to parking@uwstout.edu.

Tax credit for students

The UW System mailed 1098-T forms to all students for the purpose of claiming Hope and Lifetime Learning tax credits on their 1998 tax forms. These forms mistakenly include the telephone number 800-022-8541 as a source of information. The correct numbers are 232-2347 or 800-228-5413. Information is also available at the UW-Stout web site.

Y2K presentation

A presentation about the year 2000 computer problem will be held on Monday, Feb. 8, at 3:30 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom C in the MSC. It is sponsored by Maranatha Christian Fellowship.

Got Money? presentation

American Marketing Association and the UW-Stout Alumni Credit Card program are offering the Got Money? presentation on Tuesday, Feb. 9, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Great Hall of the MSC. It will give guidelines on how to set a realistic budget, obtain good credit, and how financial problems to be avoided.

Creative dating workshop

FYE is sponsoring a free workshop regarding dating, held Thursday, Feb. 4 at 8:00 p.m. in the Great Hall of the MSC. It will cover how to meet others, how to communicate, and dating creatively on a limited budget, plus other helpful ideas.

Power 100 invites members

Stout's student-run radio station invites interested students to club meetings, held every other Wednesday night at 7:00 p.m. in CKTO's basement. The next meeting will on Feb. 17. Students can be involved with college radio on and off the air. If interested, call Matthew Genelin at x-2929.

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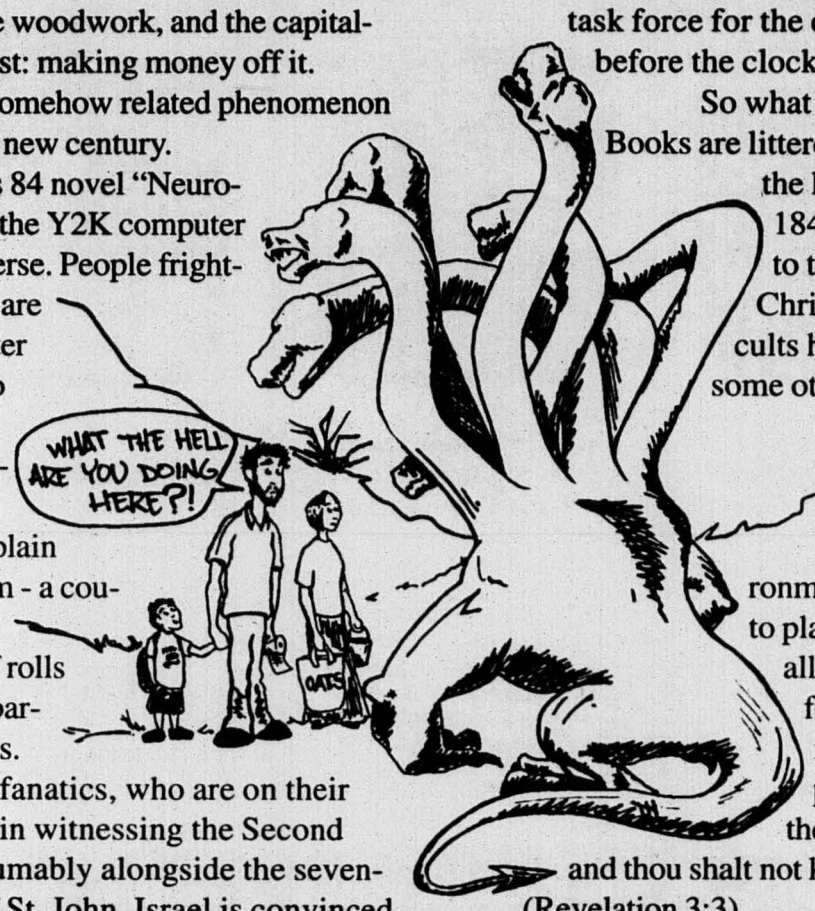
Editorial

New millenium: hype and hysterics

The world has gone millennium crazy. The loonies are out of the bin, the fanatics crawling out of the woodwork, and the capitalists, they're just doing what they do best: making money off it.

Two completely different, yet somehow related phenomenon are stirring, ready to boil over with the new century.

Like something out of Gibson's 84 novel "Neuromancer," it seems technology, namely the Y2K computer problem, is creating havoc in our universe. People frightened of what faulty technology can do are running for the hills - literally. Computer programmers are fleeing yuppieville to fashion odd developments in the remote areas of the U.S. at millennium-insulated communities on the highest plateaus they can find. Others are just plain ready to go back to the bartering system - a couple from Dallas moved to a remote farm and now are stashing hundreds of rolls of toilet paper in the house, for "good bartering items" once the economy crashes.



And then there's the religious fanatics, who are on their own millennium mission - to be first in witnessing the Second Coming of Christianity's Jesus, presumably alongside the seven-headed beast from The Revelation of St. John. Israel is convinced Americans are just batty, as they are flooding the Holy City to set up cult camp, get a front row seat to the big event, and to incite chaos there to hasten the Apocalypse. The country has even formed a task force for the estimated 4.5 million who'll migrate there before the clock strikes.

So what does this prove? History repeats itself. Books are littered with premature doom prophecies. One of the largest millennial movements dates back to 1844, when a farmer and 50,000 followers fled to the hilltops, waiting for the appearance of Christ and his army of angels. Since that time, cults have gathered to wait for God, aliens, or some other savior to whisk them away from this doomed place. What makes this different? Nothing, save the fact that 2000 is an ominously large, round number.

What we have here is simply a ripe environment for self-proclaimed prophets/con-artists to play on fears and uncertainty. Ultimately, that is all we really have - uncertainty. There is no professional consensus of what the Y2K problem really means for the world, as there is no proof that Christ is coming next year. Even the Bible states, "I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee," (Revelation 3:3).

Perhaps the best prophet this world has seen is R.E.M. "It's the end of the world as we know it, and I feel fine."

Humanity lost with the change of times

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.S., as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

Following the renewal of air strikes against Iraq, it is saddening to experience the non-reaction from the student population. Is it because the young people of this country believe that the combined efforts of both Britain and America against this impoverished country are justified?

During the Vietnam conflict, students were at the forefront of anti-war protests and they successfully changed world opinion, helping to bring the injustices of the war into the forefront of world consciousness. The exuberance of the 60s was empowering in that it proved that individuals can go against the establishment and succeed. They can make a difference, but if the ground gained and the lessons learned back then are not still with us, then perhaps they may as well not have happened at all.

Jamie Dean
columnist

Is it symptomatic of the times we live in that the topic of military intervention in the Middle East is not something that provokes us into action from the vantage point of our own safe towns and cities? People may think that action against Iraq doesn't really concern them, but our governments are supposed to work for us and protect our interests, and we as voters are ultimately responsible for them. As the constituents of a society, in this case the broader, global one, we need to be aware of the problems and suffering of our neighbors.

Now, as we approach the dawn of the new millennium, it seems that the extent to which many young people are concerned with life is limited, even just to their own, and those of the few people around them. We need to check ourselves, before we become so complacent that we lose sight of the privileges that we are able to enjoy here in the western world.

Iraq is not a democracy; its inhabitants are ruled by a dictatorship in a form of government in which the people have very little or no control. As citizens of free countries, we have the opportunity to speak and to make ourselves heard. Iraqi citizens are just like us and they deserve more compassionate treatment than they have been receiving up to now.

In the bombardment of Iraqi towns and cities, the targets designated are weapons factories and military installations. Despite this, the employment of "smart" bombs and other technology designed to restrict damage and help minimize any civilian casualties, innocent people will continue to be injured and killed as long as this sort of military action continues.

Countless precision bombing raids have occurred since the start of the Gulf War in the early 90s, and the original objectives outlined in the proposals have still not been met. Saddam Hussein is still very real as is his capacity for the manufacture of weapons of mass destruction. I agree something should be done, but we need to prioritize. First of all, our responsibility to the ordinary people of Iraq who, because of our actions (and inaction), have to suffer the hardships of both immense economic sanctions, and the Anglo-American air raids.

Doesn't humanity imply a stronger, more compassionate bond than a geographical incidence of birth?

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Don't be a cheap bastard: Tip servers or eat TV dinners

Working with the public is one of the most difficult jobs around.

Especially for those in the restaurant industry. Servers rely on the tips that they get from guests. I can relate, because I work part-time in a fine-dining restaurant.

So the question of the week is: When did people become so assiduously CHEAP?

It is just unbelievable what people think a proper tip is. For example, I served a table of four whose bill came to $245. They were having a great time. They left me a tip of $6. I guess some people enjoy being cheap and foolish.

In Wisconsin, servers are only making a base rate of around $2.33 an hour. When you eat dinner at places like Jake's and Fanny Hill, you are expected to tip at least 17 to 20 percent of your entire bill. You may say, why so much? The reason is that service at these places is going to be a lot better than the likes of Perkins and Denny's. The servers at fine-dining restaurants are put through a lot more training than the average run-of-the-mill restaurants.

For example, at the restaurant I serve at, we have wine and dessert presentations, and small but important things like serving from the left, clearing from the right, and crumbing the table when the guest has completed their meal.

Eddie Mullins
columnist

If you receive bad service, then of course you have every right to bring down the tip percentage. That is just basic common sense to everyone - or is it? Many people tip this way regardless of whether they have good or bad service.

If you can't afford to tip, then you probably can't afford that dinner you just ate. My feeling is if you can't afford to tip then you have no business eating out in the first place.

After receiving small tips, I often want to say to the guest, "No, really, you keep the money, because it's obvious you need it more than I do." I have actually gone after people in the parking lot to discuss the tip that they left me. But that's just me. I'm nice until people leave me a demeaning tip.

Leaving a bad tip is like hiring someone to clean your house and then not paying them for the work that they have done. So get with the program.

As a result of this issue, think about what you tip your server the next time you eat out, regardless of the type of restaurant. Keep in mind that all servers have bills to pay too and tips are a large part of their salary. Try to be a responsible restaurant guest, and do your part.

It's better to tip properly than to have people talk about you, saying how cheap you are. You make the choice...

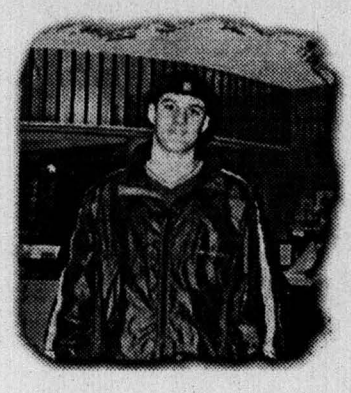
Campus Slant

Which Super Bowl commercial was your favorite?



"I didn't watch that much...I was there for the food."

Kris Erdmann
Senior
Manufacturing Engineering



"I liked it when the horse kicked the guy in the face, because that's what you get for sniffing a horse's ass!"

Todd Ochsner
Freshman
Undecided



"I really liked the Budweiser commercial...the frogs finally struck back!"

Mike Sabend
Sophomore
Undecided



"Victoria Secret commercial, because I'm a paying customer."

Paul Gilles
Senior
Construction



"I liked the one where the horse kicked the guy in the face...promoting baseball's catcher camera."

Emily Elkin
Sophomore
Early Childhood

Next Week's Question: What would you say about yourself in a personal ad?

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Mentors paired with children for learning

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

The mentoring program goes unnoticed to many students at UW-Stout. Existing for over seven years, the program pairs volunteer mentors with children in Menomonie's school district, from kindergarten to grade eight.

The Menomonie School Mentor Program started three years ago, when it was founded by Ed Ristow, now a retired principal. In the fall of 1997, the program was transferred to the Positive Alternatives Agency, a housing development for troubled teens. The mentoring program is only one part of the five programs offered.

The young students who benefit from this program include not only those with academic difficulties, but those who are having problems at home or students who are losing interest in school.

Volunteer students and professors meet with these children for one hour a week on elementary school grounds, offering support and guidance. The volunteers do not have contact with the students outside of the mentoring program.

Those interested in volunteering must make a one school-year commitment to the program and are expected to be trained by the program staff before working with the students. Mentors must be at least 18 years of age and a positive role model in the community.

Molly Welch, sophomore at UW-Stout and mentor to the program, said the program is, "one of the best things anyone can do...I get to help out and at the same time I get to learn from the student. It's kind of a two-way education process."

Currently, there are 17 student-mentor relationships. Of these relationships, 15 of the mentors are Stout students and the other two are retired school personnel. The goal is for the program to eventually have 30 student-mentor matches.

Elementary and middle school students are selected for the program based on both teacher and counselor recommendations, with the request and permission of parents or legal guardian.

The main purpose of mentoring is to match young students with positive adult role models in the community and to provide necessary individual attention. Mentors are expected to keep weekly written contact with the program staff and are encouraged to share concerns, ideas, and the student's progress with those in charge of the program and school counselors.

Positive Alternatives is run by Kristina Moore, program director, who is a Stout graduate student. If a student holds interest in this great opportunity to volunteer, they can be contacted at 235-9552 for further information.

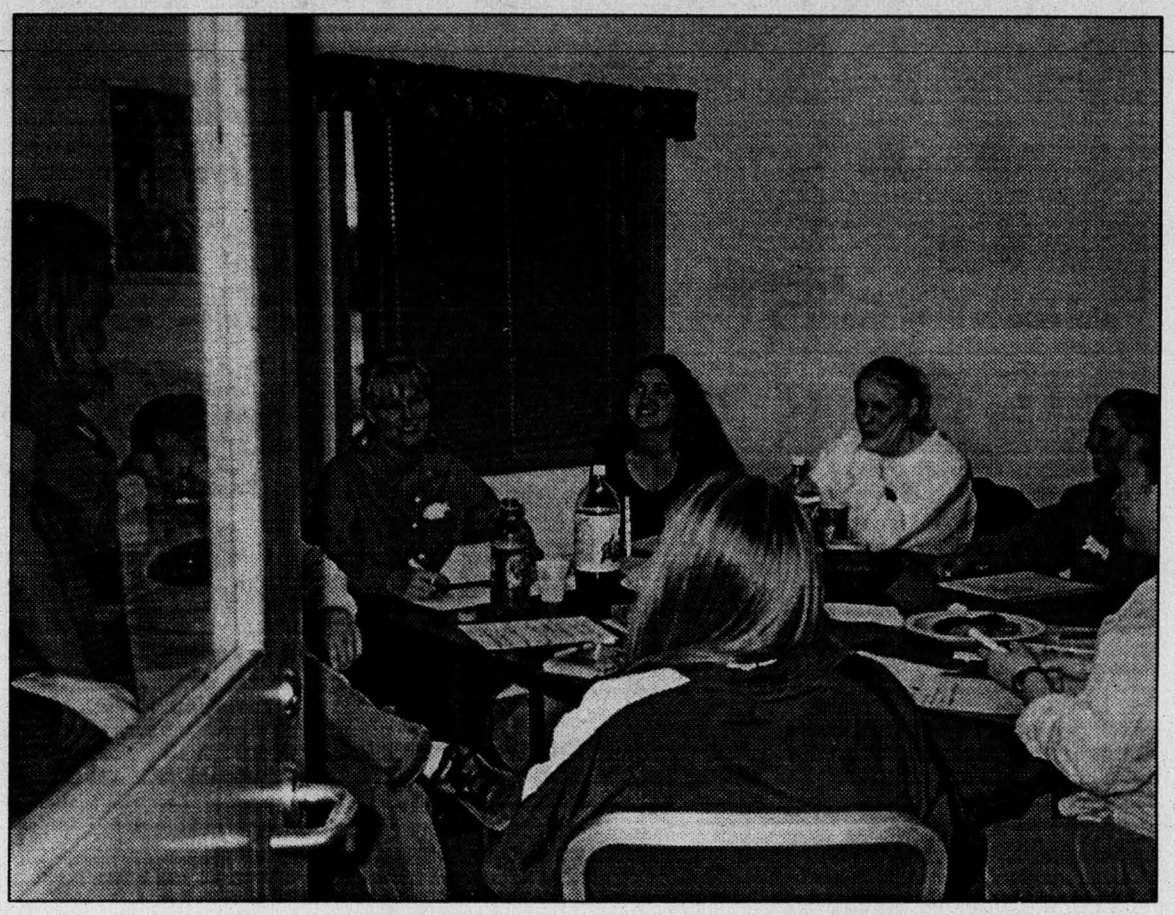


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

In the first stage of training, new mentors introduce themselves and get to know the program. Eventually they each will be paired with a child - tutoring, encouraging, and providing a positive role model for those in need.

Helping those who chose Stout

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Every student can remember the confusion and embarrassment of being new on campus. Holding only a class schedule and a campus map, they were on their own to face the wild. A drastic change has now taken place in summer registration and fall orientation, and active UW-Stout students are asked to play a role which takes the fear out of being a freshman.

"I Chose UW-Stout" is the fall orientation program here at Stout which leads new students through the process by selecting specially trained upperclass students.

"As of last fall, two new positions have been created to help the students promote Stout by putting their best foot forward," Starla Dixen, Head Coordinator for fall orientation, said. The vital positions such as SOSAs (Summer Orientation Student Advisors) and Team Leaders, which work with fall orientation are excellent opportunities to get involved on campus. It's not just about getting involved; there are many more benefits to both positions.

SOSA's work during the summer registration to help out incoming freshmen plan their first semester classes. They are required to work the scheduled days of summer registration, which is nine and half hours, and the night before for about two hours. The total for the summer is approximately 100 hours, paid. The students selected will earn $6/hour to bring in about $575, not bad for working 15 days to help out freshmen. It is also required that SOSAs serve as Team Leaders in the fall, which is a volunteer position.

A Team Leader is a critical position which requires a student who is energetic, cooperative, and willing to work. This opportunity to meet and interact with faculty and staff, organize and direct group activities, and build a resume starts August 26. August 29 through Sept. 1, Team Leaders pair up with their designated freshmen group for a four day adventure of learning the ropes at Stout's campus.

Myriah Hougas, sophomore and Team Leader, said, "This allows freshmen to feel comfortable with the university; this way they do not feel as if they stick out their first day." She went on to explain how the little things such as knowing where to empty your tray in the cafeteria and knowing how to find books and classes can make the difference between looking like an outsider or fitting in.

Applications for Team Leaders can be picked up at the SOC Desk. They need to be filled out with one reference and turned in by Feb. 12. After the application is turned in, students will be notified to set up an interview for Feb. 15-26. If selected from the first interview, students will be called for interviews starting March 1. Seventy-two students will be selected on March 10.

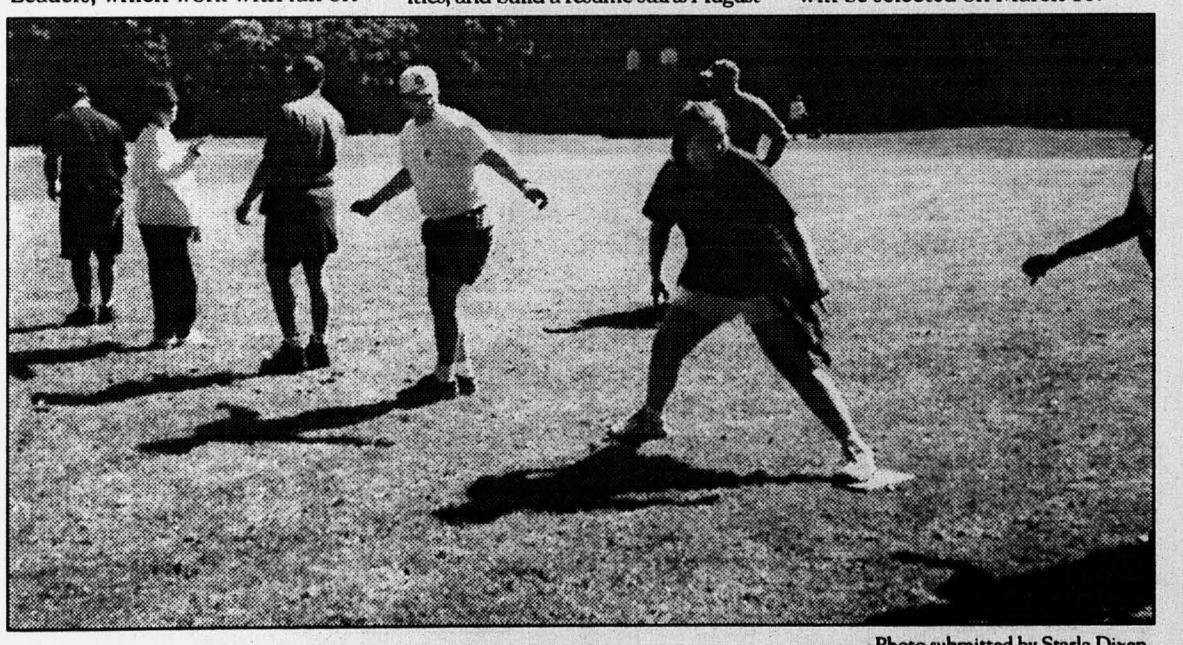


Photo submitted by Starla Dixen

Stout students work together in training that will eventually lead to helping incoming freshmen feel a little more secure about choosing the university.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week, Chloe is troubled over decisions to be made about her heart.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

Last week I wrote about my dog dying. I tried to find something equally depressing for this week, but alas, I came up short. The closest I can come to is telling you the story about my heart. I was relieved when my doctor called me after my current series of tests came back. He told me there was nothing to worry about. The worst-case scenario would be lifetime medication for me. Okay, now imagine the doctor calling you back the next day telling you it was more serious than first thought.

The tests that were normal the day before were sent to a specialist who declared them irregular. Due to the fact that the heart rate was so incredibly high, the occurrences were more frequent, and coupled with the fact that I passed out, my tests were deemed abnormal. (Go figure.) It would have been nice to know that, say, a day ago.

At that point, I really freaked out. When they started talking about sticking little feelers into my veins that travel up to my heart to synthetically excite it, I got a little nervous. But, hey, relax, they said, there's only a slight chance that my heart would actually stop when they performed this procedure. Oh, and there was something about bleeding veins. Hurray, where do I sign up?

I do understand that doctors have to be straightforward and honest about all risks, but don't you sometimes wonder where they learned their wording? I feel it should be mandatory for them to take a class or two on bedside manners. Who wants to be thought of as "just another case?" I don't want to be a number or statistic; I want to be cared for, protected. I want to be seen as a new and distinct circumstance and treated as such. Hello, I'm a person!



As the story goes on, the cardio-specialist in Menomonie thought it most appropriate to refer me to another specialist at Abott Northwestern. The Menomonie specialist thought they would have more experience and hence, better judgement in this area. I felt like a hand-me-down being tossed from one person to another, finally to be discarded and pawned off to Goodwill.

Well, okay, Abott is known for their cardiology department. I do feel comfortable bringing my individual situation to them. The bad news: they don't have an opening for even a consultation until Feb. 22. This amounts to almost three more weeks of living in ignorance and confusion.

I guess I'm in the dark about this whole situation. For example, I instruct aerobics. What happens if I collapse in the middle of a class? If I have an attack and pass out, does this mean I'm in trouble? These are things I kind-of have to know to, well, stay alive.

Anyway, besides all this, I lost the diamond tennis bracelet my parents gave me for graduation. (Which is another story in itself.) I don't know how this rates, I lost a present before I actually graduated. Is this some kind of omen? Overall, I think this year is going pretty well.

It can't possibly get any worse...I don't think (knock on wood).



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Detective Beth Ying

Case Number: 001
Full Name: Delta Zeta International Sorority

Under investigation for: Rumored annual accounts of sponsoring an Alcohol Awareness Week in April. It has been reported that members may be involved in abstaining from drinking for an entire week. Additional reports have been made concerning a Casino Night on Wednesday during that week. All students are invited to the Great Hall to play Blackjack for a chance to bid on prizes. Although members admit to nothing, certain sources have come forward and said this is an alternative to drinking. It has also been suggested that Delta Zeta members have collaborated a dry drive system on the Thursday of that week available to any student who needs a sober cab home.

Suspicious behavior: Certain members have been seen helping out the hearing impaired, practicing in all-Greek events, and making cookies for the elderly. Other behaviors have been noted, yet is lacking evidence at this time.

Future investigations concerning: Tips have been received from various sources hinting at an upcoming lip-syncting contest. Not much information is held at this time, but it is rumored that this will be available to anyone interested on campus. The winners will receive a grand prize.

Suspicious characters: Becky Braun, Jenny Hahn, Kim Cagle, Jodie Dibble, Katie Burr, Danielle Krahn, and Natalie Finazzo. They are current leaders of this underground organization.

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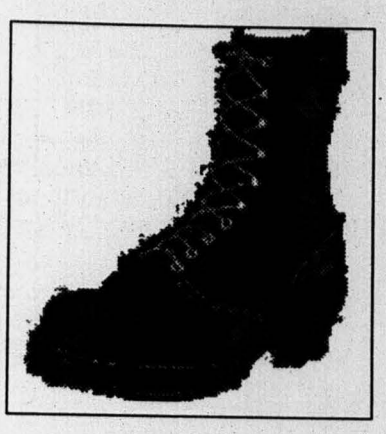
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This is a site I wish I knew existed when I started college. It is a spot where you can fill out your demographic information and (hopefully) be matched up with scholarships and other awards. This site will even update you via e-mail when great matches are added to your list. What a wonderful opportunity!

www.joel.net/ebonics
Ebonics translator



Remember this short-lived trend that happened over a year ago? Since then, someone took the time to create an English-Ebonic translator and leave it for everyone's use. Here you can translate everyday phrases and even e-mail "ebono-messages" to friends. One of the funniest things I've ever seen. Tip: translate "beer."

Fine dining and flora



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Patrons of Emma's Cafe sat amidst color photographs of botanical beauty this past week. Dan Riordan, the English department faculty member, will display "Ferns and Flowers" at the cafe, located just North of Harvey Hall, now through March 27.

Horoscopes



For the week of Feb. 4, 1999 through Feb. 11, 1999

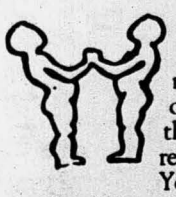
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) You'll get locked in the bathroom again today. You'll find that it caters to your liking.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today you'll discover something strange-looking in your underwear drawer. Best not to tell anyone.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) You'll buy some magic beans today, only to realize they're a couple of regular baked beans. You'd think that you would have learned after the flying carpet incidents.



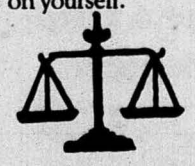
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Beware of any enemies this week. Someone somewhere is stirring up an evil plot to give you a wedgie.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You'll have your name legally changed to Skeeter, thinking it's really cool.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Something will scare the bejeezers out of you, and you'll involuntarily pee your pants. But tell everyone that you spilled a beverage on yourself.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Two words: bellybutton lint.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You'll get caught in the crossfire of a cafeteria food fight. Remember: it's all fun and games until someone gets a cob of corn in the eye.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Now that football season is finally over, you can focus on the sweater you've been knitting for your weinerdog.



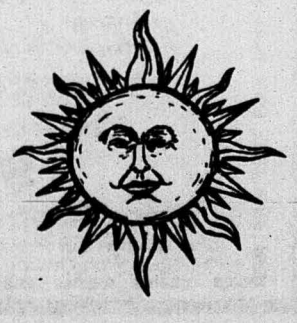
Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Not getting along with your roommates lately? Are you fighting non-stop? Even up the score. Everything can be settled with a good game of dodge ball.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Play a friendly prank on some neighbors. Nonchalantly escort all their furniture to the backyard. Never mind the 10 ft. snow drift. Water eventually evaporates. It's all in the nature of good clean fun.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Today you'll get soooooo bored in class that you'll voluntarily pee your pants just for an excuse to be dismissed. However repercussions will include that cutie never looking at you again. Anyway, it was still worth it.





P. S. Mueller



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Blue Devils give a repeat performance on top

■ After running away with the home opener, Stout's Track and Field teams continue to improve.

by Rich Spicer
Sports Reporter

What do you get when you cross the Energizer bunny with a Kenyan marathon team? If you said, "A Super Bowl quality commercial during a dubba-dubba W.B. quality game," most football fans would agree.

On the campus of UW-Stout, however, this kind of question tends to conjure up images not of Terrell and Elway on a flight to Disneyland again, but rather of a fair fight for the Stout Men's Track and Field Team. Capturing a total of six first place finishes during their meet last Friday, they beat out Eau Claire by a scant 3.2 points to claim their second straight invite victory.

With a final score of 158.2 to Eau Claire's 155, Stout's victory was anything but assured, considering that each athlete had to do their part to bring home the win. However, strong repeat performances of last week's first place results by veteran Billy Busch, newcomer John Hansen, and returnees Jesse Hunter and Jaimie Buchholtz, coupled with new first place finishes by Mike Bethke and Aaron Scheffer, were especially helpful in pushing the bar just beyond Eau Claire's reach.

For any skeptics out there, let the numbers do the talking. Busch completed the 400-meter dash in 51.13 seconds. Hansen took the 600 in 1:24.33. Hunter transcended the 200-meter hurdles in 25.81 seconds. Buchholtz pushed the pole vault to 15'1". Bethke shot put 48' 3 1/2", and Scheffer high jumped 6' 2 3/4". Just one more question: Did somebody say "Mc-Victors"?

The Blugold Open last Friday saw a total of seven teams competing for the Blue Devils, this was certainly no easy contest. Following the Blue Devils and the Blugolds in the top two spots were the newly named Minnesota State University at Mankato in third, the University of St.Thomas in fourth, Augsburg College taking the number five spot and Mt. Senario and UW-Superior battling it out to a tie for sixth.

The Women's Track Team had a less exciting finish, finishing fourth overall behind St. Thomas, Minnesota State University at Mankato, and UW-Eau Claire. However, this is not to say that there were no worthwhile events. Stout dominated the 200-meter hurdles with sophomore Michelle Abramczak capturing first place, and second place going to teammate Marion Doble.

In addition two school records were broken, one toppled by a ton (well, really by a 20 pound toss), and the other just by a fraction. Katie Jacobson was able to shave .35 seconds off of her previous 1000-meter record to reset the mark at 2:58.65, and Jen Turner smashed the previous 20 pound toss record by more than six feet with a toss of 41 feet,10.75 inches.

Other notable finishes included third place awards to Katy Olson in the 1500-meter run, Jen Wucherer in the 3000-meter run, Sarah Pivec in the shot put for a distance of 36 feet, 3inches, and Ann Marie Curtis for a high jump height of 4 feet, 3 inches. Fourth place finishes were awarded to Noel Green in the 200-meter dash and to both the 4x200 relay and 4x400 relay teams.

Both teams will be competing next week in the Eastbay Invitational to be held at UW-Stevens Point. Their next home meet is the following weekend on Friday, Feb.12 at 4 p.m. As always, fan turnout is a key factor in boosting and maintaining moral. There is no advantage to a home meet without the home crowd, so stop by to cheer, sing, dance, and maybe, with a quick eye, catch a little Blue Devil action.

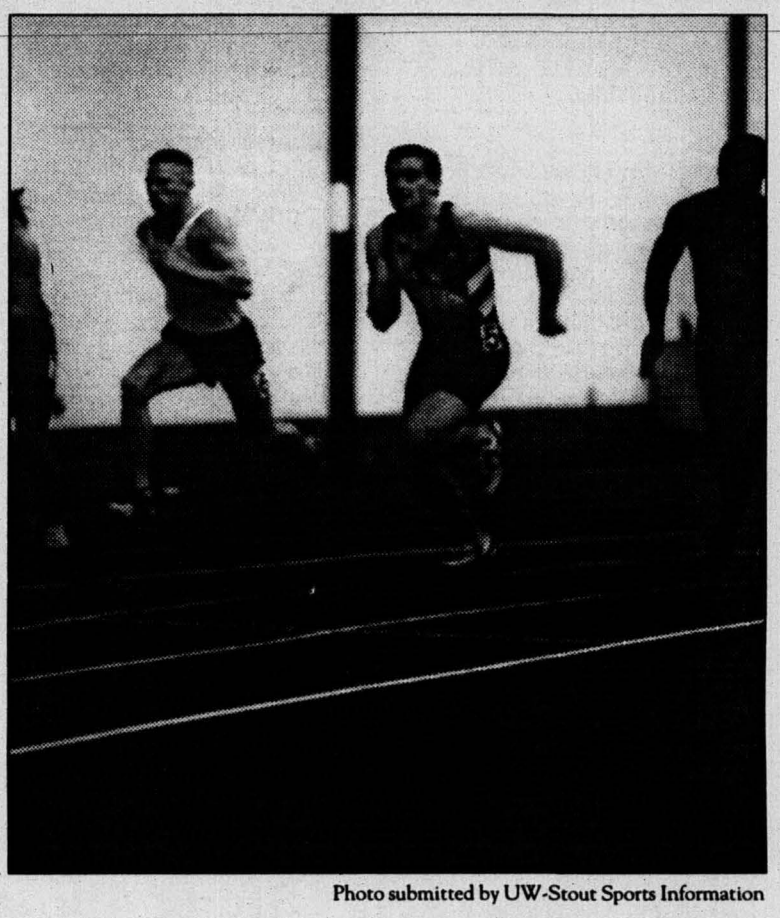


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Stout's Jesse Hunter (lane 5) takes his second first place finish in consecutive meets as the Blue Devils nudge Eau Claire.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

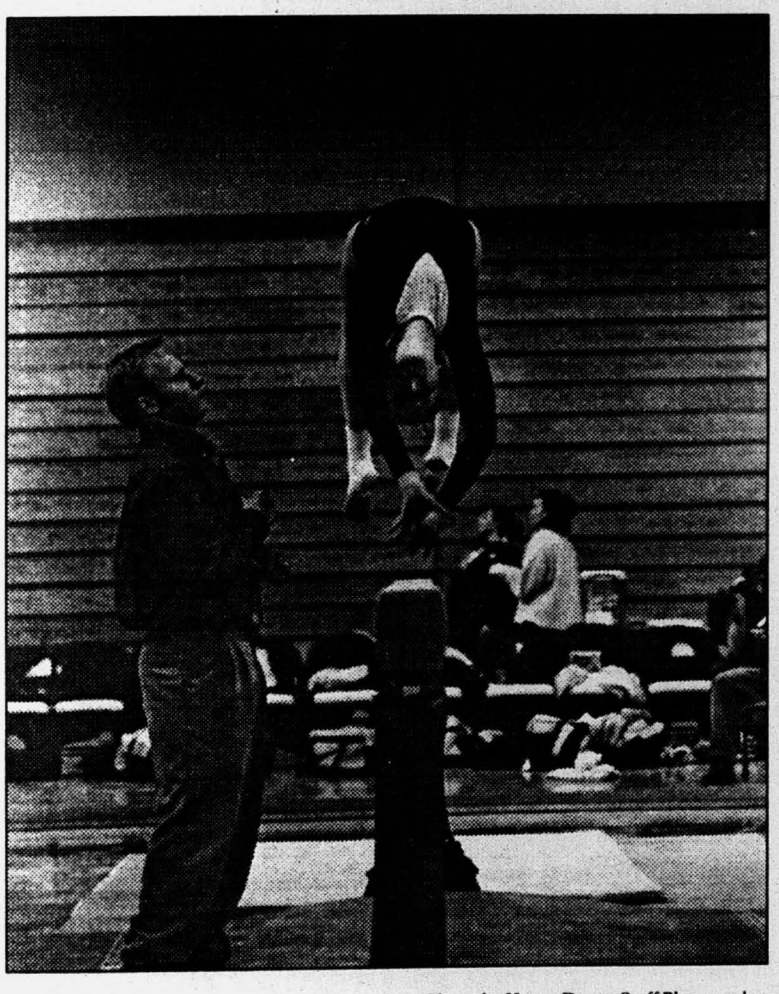


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As Coach Jeff Richards spotted, Lauren Seebert dazzles the judges on beam, finishing the routine with a 6.70. She went on to gain personal bests in the vault and floor exercises as well.

Women's Gymnastics

Jan. 27

All five UW-Stout gymnasts competing in the vault set either personal bests or season bests, but the rest of the meet wasn't graced with the same sense of euphoria, as the Blue Devils dropped a 137.50-96.86 decision to Gustavus Adolphus at Johnson Fieldhouse.

Brenna Jones led the way on the vault, placing second after hitting an 8.70, just short of her personal best. Lauren Seebert scored an 8.20, Andrea Hassel a 7.90, Scarlett Ramey finished with a 7.70, and Kelli Mork a 7.60 - all personal bests. As a group, the vault team scored a season-high 32.50.

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Making hockey history: twice baked Saints

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The Blue Devil Hockey Team took their skills to the ice at the Dunn County Ice Arena this past weekend and faced off against St. Scholastica of Duluth, Minnesota. This time, fans in attendance were not disappointed as Stout put together their best back-to-back performances of the year.

The upstart Devil defense left St. Scholastica unraveled, skating to 4-0 and 5-0 wins, respectively. The consecutive executions of the Saints were the first in varsity hockey history at Stout.

The Devils got started early on Friday as Luke Murray, assisted by Greg Foster, netted the first goal of the evening just 35 seconds into the contest. The offense wasted little time in finding the net a second time when Josh Marklevits scored, aided by a dual assist from Kelly Selix and Brad Weappa.

Stout controlled the puck and the game for the second period as well, with contributions from Kevin Aube and Joe Berry. Stout out-shot the Saints 46-17 on the night. Freshman goalie Ben Plester and his loyal defense stymied the Saint offense all night long, as Plester recorded the second collegiate shut-out of his career.

Saturday night the trend continued as the Blue Devils maneuvered another thrashing on the ice at the expense of the Saints.

The Devils got everyone into the action Saturday scoring five goals with five different players. Graham Lohmen kicked off the scoring spree with a goal four minutes into the first period. In the second period, Marklevits recorded his second score with the assist off the stick of Mark Corbett.

Corbett dished out his third assist of the evening to Tom Schaffner midway through the third period. Stout capped off the dominating performance, finding the net twice in the final two minutes with goals from Aube and Kevin Morrissey, topping off the 5-0 victory.

The Blue Devils have pulled out of a number of tough losses over winter break and have only three games to hurdle en route to the playoffs Feb. 19-20. With the high of last weekend's wins behind them, Selix, a veteran Blue Devil, feels that the team's determined play against St. Scholastica is a glimmer of better things to come.

"We kept our confidence and hung in there [against St. Scholastica]. Now we're looking to go into the playoffs and knock off some teams."

The Blue Devils will take their shut-out hockey fanatics to the ice once again this weekend as they entertain Lake Forest at the Dunn County Ice Arena Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m.

Another pair of wins could put Stout in good position to finish high in the ranks of the playoffs. This will be the final pair of home games this season, and after a show like last weekend, who would dare miss another chance to see them make history?

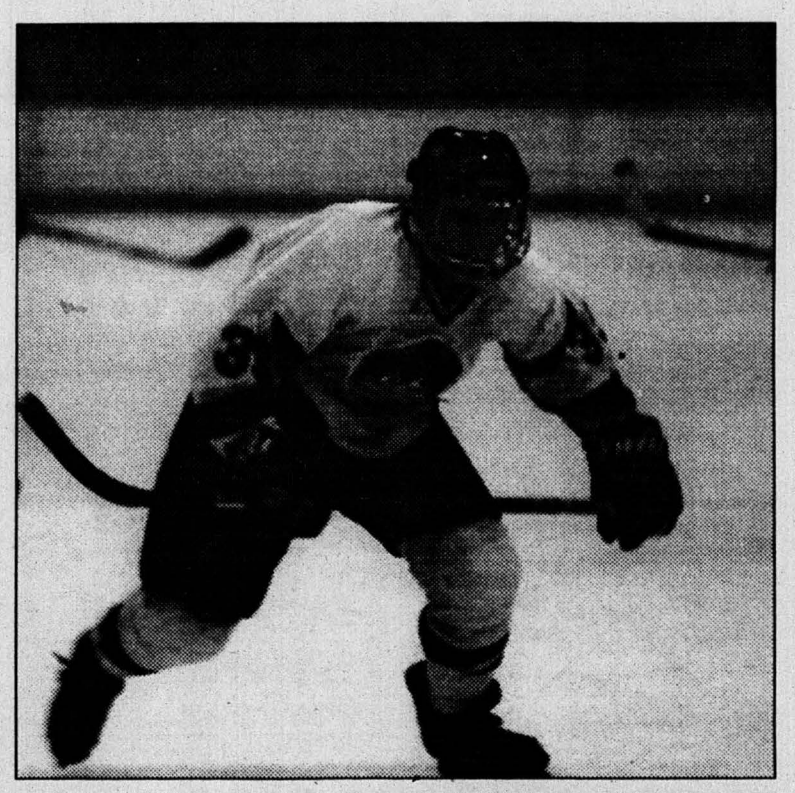


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The Blue Devil offense had little trouble trouncing St. Scholastica, aided by generous assists from Kelly Selix. Coming off of consecutive shut-outs, Selix has high hopes for Stout in the playoffs.

Press Box/ Basketball

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Things didn't go quite so well the rest of the way, with only Ramey and Seebert clearing any more personal marks, both on the floor exercise. Seebert hit a 7.90 and Ramey a 7.35 on the floor.

Feb. 2

The score may not have shown it, but the UW-Stout Gymnastics Team put together their best meet of the season despite falling 129.75-83.00, to UW-River Falls Tuesday at Johnson Fieldhouse.

With two gymnasts side-lined with injuries, three of the four competing Blue Devils set either personal bests or season bests throughout the evening.

Brenna Jones led the way for the Blue Devils, winning events on the balance beamand floor and tying for the all-around crown with a score of 33.85. Jones was unstoppable from every angle, finishing second on the vault and third on the uneven bars.

Andrea Hassel placed third on the floor with a career high 8.60. Although she wasn't able to climb into the winner's circle, Scarlett Ramey scored a personal best on the uneven bars.

The Blue Devils return to action Saturday, Feb. 6 when they compete at the Goshen Invitational at UW-La Crosse.

Men's Basketball

Jan. 30

UW-Stout's Ben Kuepers pulled down 10 rebounds. Unfortuneately, Kuepers was responsible for 38 percent of Stout's rebounds, as UW-Eau Claire controlled the game underneath and handed the Blue Devils a 79-56 loss at Johnson Fieldhouse.

Stout was out-rebounded, 43-26, and could only pull down 14 defensive rebounds as compared to the Blugolds' 27. Besides Kuepers, Stout's men underneath managed only five rebounds.

Stout still managed to put three players in double figures with Jeremy Preston and Pat Von Feldt leading the way with 13 points. Jeremy Leibfried plunked in 12 points, but eight of those came at the free throw line.

The Blugolds, meanwhile, had four players in double figures, most of them roaming around in the paint. Jon Wallenfelsz led all scorers with 22 points and matched Kuepers with 10 rebounds.

The Blue Devils started off the game shooting stone cold from the line, finding themselves down 31-10 before they made a move late in the first half, cutting the lead to within four points. The Blugolds ripped off seven straight points, getting rid of any hope for a Blue Devil win.

Women's Basketball

UW-Stout had five players in double digits. The trouble for the Blue Devils came when they had only seven players doing all of the scoring as they dropped a 94-72 decision to UW-Eau Claire Saturday, Jan. 30, at Zorn Arena in Eau Claire.

Eau Claire jumped out to a 50-35 half-time lead and consistently held Stout at bay throughout the game to drop the Blue Devils below their briefly enjoyed .500 mark.

Stout was led by Shannon Berg with 18 points. Amy Zelinger came off the bench to score 12 points. Rachel Traynor and Andrea Bresette each had 11 points, while Heather Peterson finished with eight.

The Agenda

UW-Stout's Upcoming Sports Schedule

Men's and Women's Track & Field
Sat. Feb. 6
Eastbay Invitiational
Stevens Point, 11 a.m.

Gymnastics
Sat. Feb. 6
Gershon Invite
La Crosse, 1 p.m.

Men's Hockey
Feb. 5-6
vs. Lake Forest
Fri. 7:30 p.m., Sat. 2 p.m.

Men's Basketball
Sat. Feb. 5
at UW-Oshkosh, 3 p.m.

Women's Basketball
Sat. Feb. 5
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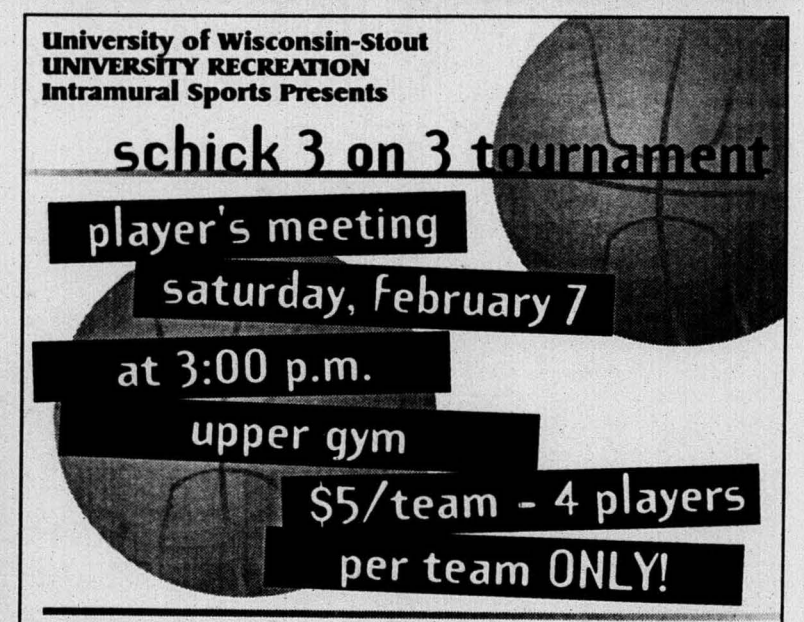
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From SSA...

Believe it or not, but the SSA does work for the student body of UW-Stout. If you are having problems with instructors, classes, parking, discrimination, or absolutely anything else that makes your experience here at Stout less than fabulous, LET US KNOW!!!!!! We will do our best to help you solve your problem and fight for your rights as a student. Help us help you!

From the Director of Financial Affairs...

The financial affairs committee is hard at work with deliberations for budget hearings. We would like to say that we appreciated all the group's participation and preparedness for the hearings. It is great that all the groups were so good but it does make it very hard for us to make the necessary cuts. The great thing is that we will reach a lot of Stout students.

I am also happy to say that the process for the budget procedure will be updated and digitized for next year. In fact, we are appraching doing the entire process online. If you were involved this year I am sure that you will be happy to have a less costly and time consuming process.

Upcoming will be the final approval of the budget, a move on the logo issue. The votes will be tabulated by next time and available for the public. Finally, there will be a new issue coming up on a move to change the scheduled process in majors that generally hold all of their required classes at the same time. This sometimes prohibits the rapid graduation and can get in the way of other activities like clubs and sports. We will look into it and talk to the teachers to see how feasible that process would be.

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Josh Johnson
Director of Financial Affairs
Stout Student Association

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Tuition increase to pull in extra $850K

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Tuition at UW-Stout is set to increase by 5% in the fall of 1999 for undergraduate and resident graduate students. But according to the Stout Student Association, the benefits will definitely outweigh costs.

Just a week ago, at a region meeting, a document named "Access To Learning Differential Tuition: UW-Stout" was approved. The formal approval will pull in an estimated $850,000 annually to strengthen work experience programs, early childhood program laboratory, classroom projects, laboratory experiences and service activities here at Stout.

This document is unique because it was created by both students and administration. The idea originally was hatched last year by Laura Fletcher, President of Graduate Student Council, and Henry Tyler, President of Stout Student Association.

The plan aims to serve the entire student body. Work experience programs hope to eliminate the user fee ($125) for co-ops, making work experience programs more equally available to Stout students. Currently, 70 percent of all Stout graduates participate in an off-campus supervised work experience. By eliminating the fee, all students will be encouraged to partake in a work experience that would be most beneficial.

By including Early Childhood programs in the statement, Early Childhood is now looking into how much they can reduce fees for students who are parents, and provide them with affordable model child care, as well as providing students with internships and an observation center for classes.

The plan's authors project the additional money will increase student employment, teaching assistants, tutors, graduate assistants and technicians to support

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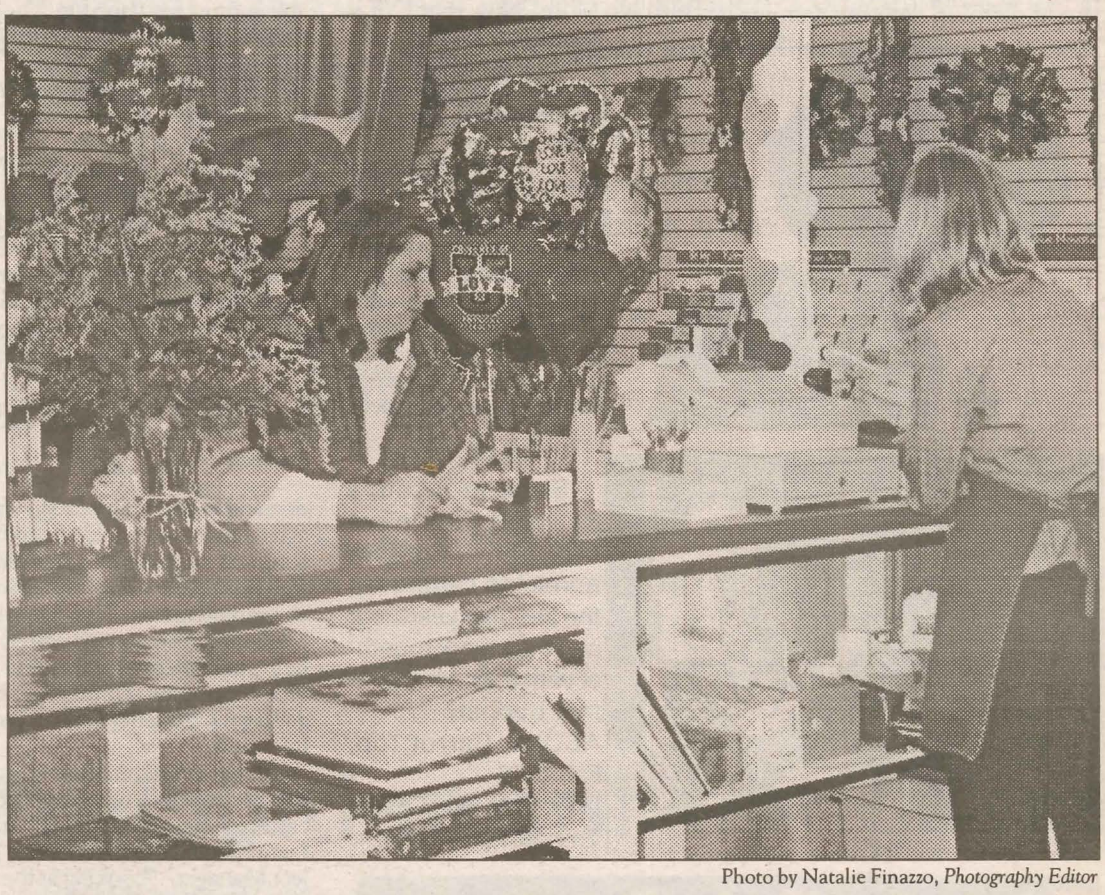


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Menomonie Floral sales are up 400 percent this Valentine weekend. To manage the rush, the store has extended its hours and are prepared to ship orders anywhere. Yesterday morning they sent a bouquet to Sweden for one customer.

No more credit card harassment

■ Now only one credit card will be solicited at Student Center

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Not long after high school students stop receiving information in the mail from colleges, the credit card applications arrive.

Then it gets worse. On a national average, college students are approached at least once a week by credit card solicitors and telemarketing companies offering free t-shirts, candy, or trinkets along with an approved credit card.

Salespeople often make students think they need the plastic, even though it is a luxury. As a result, a nationwide trend is occurring: credit card debt. The major contributor-college-age adults.

The University Centers/Health Service Advisory Committee at Stout had several concerns regarding student credit card management and the promotion of cards on campus. They feel students need to be more informed and selective about credit cards. The committee voted unanimously on Dec. 3 to give exclusive credit card solicitation rights to WESTconsin Alumni Credit Card in University Centers Facilities, thereby no longer allowing other credit card companies to solicit on campus.

"There were complaints coming from students having to walk by credit card solicitors. One student even claimed that they were attacked by a solicitor," commented Bill Siedlecki, the Associate Director of the Memorial Student Union. "We felt we needed to get rid of this situation, and this was definitely a win-win solution."

In return for these exclusive solicitation rights, the Alumni Associa-

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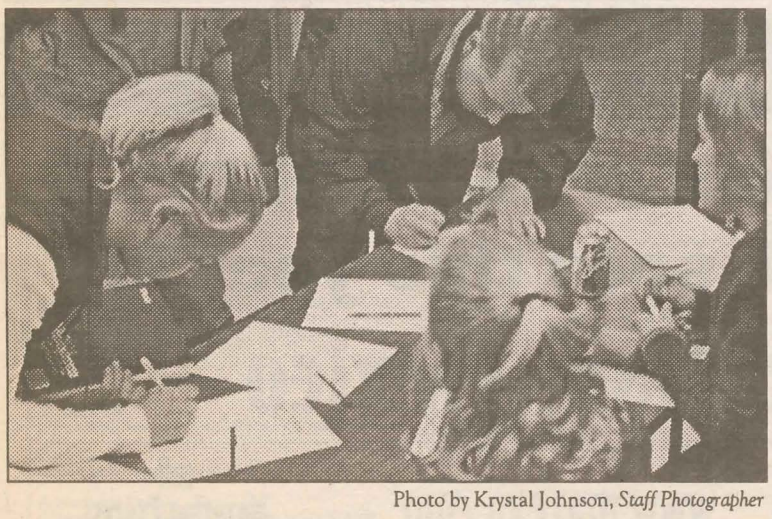


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Now the sole card vendor, the Alumni Visa Card, WESTconsin Credit Union and AMA hosted the "Got Money?" program on Tuesday, exploring ways to avoid credit pitfalls, budget money, and make investments.

UW Madison students stage sit-in opposing sweatshops

by Claire Herbst & Kelly Spors, Badger Herald

(U-Wire)- More than 40 sweatshop activists stormed into University of Wisconsin's Bascom Hall Monday, staging a sit-in the protesters say will last until their demands are met.

The activists, composed mostly of UW-Madison students, said they are pressuring Chancellor Davis Ward to agree to a stricter apparel licensing code. The current draft of the code is intended to monitor conditions in factories where collegiate merchandise is made. However, the protesters say that the Collegiate Licensing essential components must have full, immediate, disclosure of factory locations and a mandatory living wage.

Ward released an official statement regarding his stance on full disclosure and living wage Monday. He said UW-Madison is prepared to work toward full disclosure and providing a sufficient wage. But he said the proposed code expresses sufficient commitment to a living wage and that UW will work for disclosure during the coming year.

Students, however, said Ward's stance is not strong enough and demanded he commit to stricter measures. The protesters said they hope to meet with Ward today and begin negotiating on a stronger code.

"We're no farther than we were last week, " he said. "It's essential that all who are able to stay, stay as long as possible."

Students said they were prepared to stay inside Bascom for several days, if necessary. Five representatives from the group were selected to manage the ongoing protest. The group agreed to approve all bargaining decisions by a two-thirds vote.

The Mifflin Street Co-op and The Glass Nickel Pizza Co. donated food to the protesters. Some students brought blankets, pillows, and even their pets to make themselves comfortable. Two UW security guards maintained a distant watch over the crowd. The organizers said

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>
> Jim Cavanaugh
> *Local Union member*

security had given them permission to stay in the building overnight.

The activists arranged a rally prior to the sit-in, hoping to draw attention to the cause without revealing their plans to the administration, she said.

More than 200 people gathered at the rally, including UW faculty, staff, and local union representatives. As the rally began and night fell on Bascom Hill, the activists met to protes Ward's, recent recommendations to the apparel code.

"The public's right to know wins over Reebok's desire to act as a national leader in human rights," said Thomas Wheatley, a graduate student and member of the MASC. "It wins over the CLC's desire to get out of a public relations crisis, and it wins over David Ward's desire to go home, open a bottle of wine, and forget about the issue."

In addition to pushing for immediate disclosure, the activists demanded the code require factories to pay a living wage.

Local union representative Jim Cavanaugh, a speaker at the rally, compared the loving conditions of a 16-year-old girl from Madison to those of a young girl living in Guatemala. For example, a teenage girl in Madison goes to school every day, plays soccer, and has a boyfriend, he said. She may even think of attending UW someday, he added.

But in Guatemala, most 16-year-old girls do not attend school and have no time for sports or romance.

"She works nine to 12 hour days in a factory," he said. "She doesn't know it, but that 'W' she sews on sweatshirts everyday, that's the UW. And the UW can also provide something for her ... by insisting on a living wage and full disclosure."

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See if that special someone left you a Valentine message in our Classified Section Page 11

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Groups may combine forces

by Kelly Neidt
Copy Editor

Stout has two active music groups, For Your Entertainment (FYE) and Campus Music Productions (CMP) that bring musical acts to campus. These two groups are attempting to work together after a period of rivalry.

Campus Music Productions formed over ten years ago, much before FYE came on the scene. The expectation was that CMP would dissolve, leaving campus entertainment to the new group. CMP fought back, becoming part of the other group for a short time and eventually regaining their name. After the two groups separated, it became harder to keep both funded. CMP is smaller than FYE, with only 5 current members and 6 people who are interested in joining. In contrast, FYE has an 8-member board.

In the past, CMP has brought musical acts to campus before they were famous, such as Billy Joel and Faith No More. Now that FYE is bigger and receives more funding than CMP, they are able to provide more services than CMP has been able to.





Student groups FYE and CMP have brought notable names to campus in the past few years, but can they work together with their new, slimmer budget?
ABOVE: Carrot Top, Fall 1996
LEFT: Little Blue Crunch Things, Fall 1997

FYE, who brought us Carrot Top, is responsible for programming entertainment, and providing speakers and hypnotists for special events. They're primarily interested in contemporary music, while CMP tends to concentrate on concerts and alternative music groups.

When FYE found out recently that their budget had been slashed by $13,000 and given to CMP, members were confused and angered. Both groups showed at SSA's budget unveiling, with FYE insisting they can't bring big names with their now thin budget. Surprisingly, CMP hadn't even asked SSA for such an increase.

Josh Johnson, Financial Affairs Director for SSA, said their rationale was to combine all of the available money into one fund, hoping the groups would team up, so bigger musical acts can be booked.

CMP and FYE are now trying to work out their differences so that both groups can survive.

Gary Trenda, FYE member, believes that regardless of the decision, the two groups will somehow benefit.

Amy Kuznia, president of CMP, feels that a cooperative effort among the two groups is important, and that getting rid of the clash is more important than the funding available.

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tion and WESTconsin Credit Union agreed that they would provide professional training for solicitors, as well as student workshops in money management. The American Marketing Association (AMA) will help out in these seminars, and provide counseling seminars on budgeting for students and incoming freshmen.

"A lot of universities are going this route, selecting a single credit card to solicit to students," states Lucy Nicolai, Student Service Project Manager. "Looking at the history of funds returned to the alumni office, it is apparent that the funds are increasing every year. This will definitely benefit student organizations."

In the past, student organizations were allowed to bring in soliciting materials for fund-raisers. But not even half of the time were these organizations given what they were granted by the credit card companies. To prevent this from further happening, student organizations must now fill out a grant application.

Organizations for which the application is approved will receive a grant of at least $100. The grant applications can be picked up at the SOC desk, Conference and Reservation Office (Service Center) or Alumni Office. The deadline for these applications is February 17.

The Alumni Association will provide three additional scholarships every year. Partial funding for these scholarships will be derived through the revenue from the Alumni Visa credit card by WESTconsin Union.

Sue Pittman, an administrative Project Manager, feels this will be very beneficial to the Alumni Association, "I believe it will make current students more aware of the Alumni Association, and what we do for current students as well as future alumni."

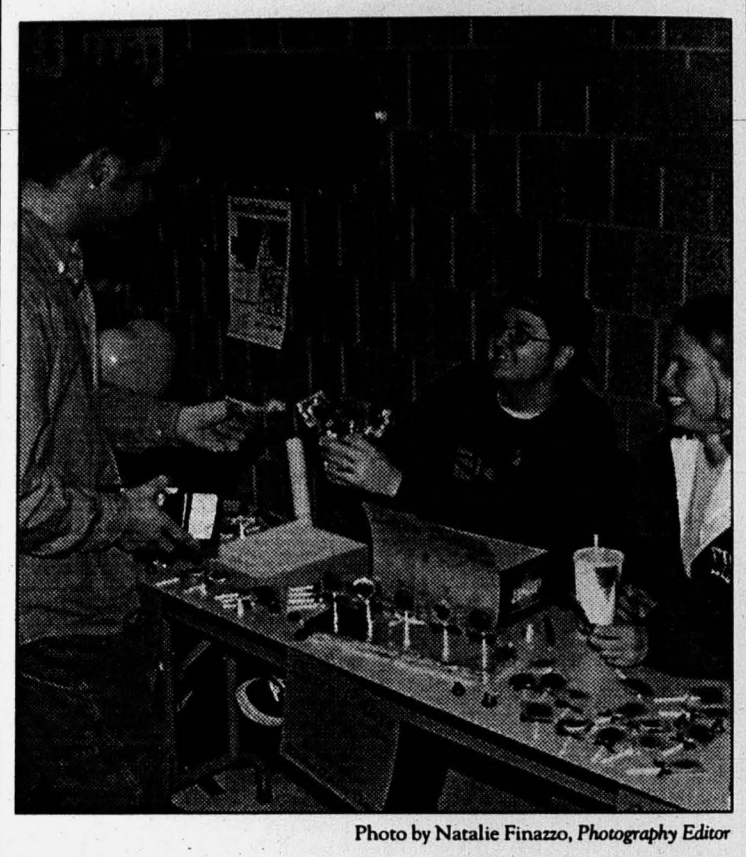


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Just in time for the holiday, Tri Sigs sold a rainbow of condom lollies this week in the Student Center, raising awareness and money for creative play therapy rooms in hospitals around the country treating terminally ill children.

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faculty, labs, equipment and student projects, providing better opportunities to interact with faculty, and better maintained labs.

"This would have not been as effective if it didn't have both administration and students opinions involved," Tyler said. "This document provides for a committee of students and administrators deciding where the money will be spent to strengthen Stout. I saw this as being the most important factor of the document."

Stout's "Action To Learning" has already caught the attention of many other universities in the UW system. "I have had three schools in the region call me asking for the plan," commented Tyler. "This will positively affect Stout in many ways."

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Kosovo makes demands

Albanian rebels and rival Serbians in Rambouillet, France demanded changes to a U.S. sponsored plan to bring peace to Kosovo. Despite American mediators 'reports of progress in peace talks, the two delegations remained far from agreement after three days of debates.

Salt Lake City Scandal

On Tuesday, an independent ethics panel issued a negative report on Salt Lake City's Olympic bid, stating that more than $1 million in handouts have been received. This report implicates ten more Olympic Committee members.

Workplace battlegrounds

A record number of employees say they are being fired, demoted, and punished for speaking out against harassment and discrimination suits that they have filed against their employers. Charges have more than doubled since 1991.

Judge ends pilot sick-out

On Wednesday a federal judge ordered pilots at American Airlines to end a "sick-out" that has delayed and canceled hundreds of flights throughout the country, and stranded an estimated 200,000 travelers. U.S. District Judge Kendall issued that the temporary restraining order be lifted, and negotiations resumed.

Clinton trial continues

Republican support for convicting Clinton of impeachment and obstruction of justice charges declined Wednesday as senators debated for a second day. Three GOP senators have announced they will reject both charges.

University Notes

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Microsoft Word 97 Workshop

LIT Cooperative Training Group is sponsoring a Microsoft Word 97 workshop Feb. 16, 7:00-8:00 p.m at Micheels Hall Computer Lab, Pod 2. The workshopfocuses on learning program basics. Sign up at the Library's Reference Desk and bring a 3 1/2 floppy disk to the workshop.

Alfresco Outing Club

On Feb. 13, the Alfresco Outing Club will be going snow tubing. On Feb. 20, they will be playing broom ball. If interested in joining, contact Kyleen at x1830, or come to a their general meeting Wednesdays, 8 p.m., in the White Pine of MSC.

Cupid's Moonlight Bowling

The MSC is holding a red pin bowling special Feb. 12, at 9 p.m. to 12. Prizes include a chance to win free bowling.

Black History Jeopardy

The Black Student Union is sponsoring Black History Jeopardy on Thursday, Feb. 11, at 6:00 p.m. in the Great Hall of the MSC.

Organization Fair

An organization fair will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 16 in the MSC, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., and on Wednesday, Feb. 17 in the corridor of the Commons, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. If interested, call x 1772.

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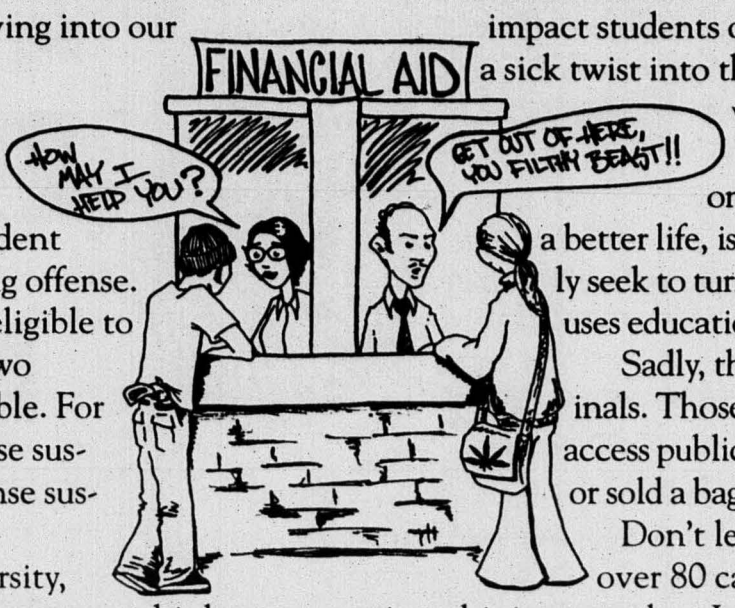
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Editorial

Government's newest Catch 22

Higher education is purported to be the number one way to open the doors of success. Ironically, it is our government that is increasingly barricading the entrance. In the newest wave of Tough on Drugs politics, government is delving into our past, and using it for retribution.

The Higher Education Act of 1998, signed into law in October, contains an amendment that denies or significantly delays federal financial assistance to any student who has been convicted in the past for a drug offense. For a possession conviction, students are ineligible to receive aid for one year, at second offense, two years, and thereafter they will never be eligible. For sale of a controlled substance, the first offense suspends aid for two years, and the second offense suspends it indefinitely.



In an era where colleges push for diversity, increased enrollment and a welcoming environment, this law makes so little sense that one has to wonder if serious thought had any part in its making.

Since African Americans comprise 55 percent of all drug convictions, representing a disparity in drug enforcement, diversity on all campuses is threatened.

The loss of financial support is projected to most seriously impact students of low to moderate income, throwing a sick twist into the government's pilgrimage for family values and welfare to work.

The result is a Catch 22: College, one of the major paths to better jobs and a better life, is no longer accessible for those who truly seek to turn things around. Only a blind system uses education to threaten its citizens.

Sadly, the law says nothing about violent criminals. Those who have robbed and rape d can still access public money, but those who have lit a joint or sold a bag cannot. The logic is plain ludicrous.

Don't let the blind lead the blind. Join the over 80 campuses nationwide campaigning against this ignorant law. Log on to http://www.u-net.org for more information, and tell the chancellor, the student government, and state representatives, how hurtful and nearsighted this law is, before our past blocks us from any future.

Safe hands may be criminal ones

From time to time, we all have to make that trip to the doctor. Those regular checkups are necessary to keep us in top-notch shape. But what about surgery? How much do you know about your surgeon? What are their credentials and have they had trouble with medical boards?

Look into it before they make that cut; it could be a means of life or death. Think about it. . .

I wanted to share this story with you

Eddie Mullins
columnist

that happened in Eau Claire at Luther/Midefort Hospital. Dr. M. Terry McEnany was hired in 1993, to start Chippewa Valley's first heart surgery program. The surgeon came from one of the top rated heart surgery hospitals in the U.S. The hopsital thought they were getting an award-winning surgeon. Instead, McEnanay brought with him a long line of unprofessional conducts, nine to be exact.

A 65 year old man signed a consent form in 1991 for Dr. McEnany to perform coronary artery bypass surgery. The surgery was instead performed by a surgical fellow, with the assistance of McEnany. During the cut, the patient's liver was nicked, causing the patience extra problems.

Most of the nine cases against McEnany deal with sloppy surgical procedures, such as this. He was asked to resign from the medical center in San Francisco, and in all of California. Part of the deal was that this medical center would cover up all the doctor's mishandlings.

So Luther/Midefort had no way of knowing the good doctor's wrongdoings. San Francisco's medical center was as much at fault as McEnany. No one would have known about McEnany's past unless patients spoke up about their experiences. Because of them, he's banned from practicing in Wisconsin.

It seems that safety and health of patientsdoes not matter as much as the good old reputation of the medical center. We can't damage that now, can we? Unbelievable!

Prohibition still hangs on

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the Northeast and southern coast of Britain, as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

The government's 'War on Drugs' has long been an important component of national and international

Jamie Dean
columnist

news, but what does this term really mean to us?

In Menomonie, as in all towns with a substantial population of young people, there will be those who experiment with drugs; some will even develop a habit.

Crime is often attributed to drug addicts, who resort to burglary and robbery in order to pay for their next fix, but the percentage of these types of incidents, compared with the percentages of violent crime connected with alcohol consumption, look petty and insignificant.

The billions spent each year in the drug war would be much better spent on more basic social needs like healthcare and safe housing for the homeless and the millions of people in this country who still live below the breadline, or work and training schemes for the unemployed.

In most cases people who take drugs are otherwise law abiding citizens who don't pose a threat to their neighbors, but through government information programs and the traditionally conservative sectors of the media, we're fed a stereotype of the drug-user as a dangerous and unpredictable criminal. That's pretty much like saying that everyone who drinks alcohol regularly is a violent alcoholic - it's simply not true.

In a democratic government like that of the U.S. shouldn't it be left up to the individual what he or she does with their time and money, as long as it is not affecting other people?

It is arguable whether some 'recreational' drugs like Marijuana, LSD and Ecstasy actually cause any long-term side effects in occasional users. I list these because they are not considered to be addictive drugs, at least not to the extent of our acceptable drugs: nicotine and alcohol, which have taken a far greater toll on human life.

Prohibition taught us that it is not commendable, or indeed possible, to completely ban the sale and production of alcohol. Some people will inevitably find ways to produce that which will satisfy their need, and illegalization only serves to drive these industries underground where they cannot be properly controlled and regulated.

Perhaps the government's hard-line on drugs is not really an answer to the social problem of drug abuse, but rather a desperate measure to curb an industry which it knows it cannot control.

I believe it is necessary for a more open and tolerant approach to be taken concerning the use of hard drugs and drug addiction, because in being alarmist we are not finding a solution to the problem - merely sending it underground where it can become more of a problem.

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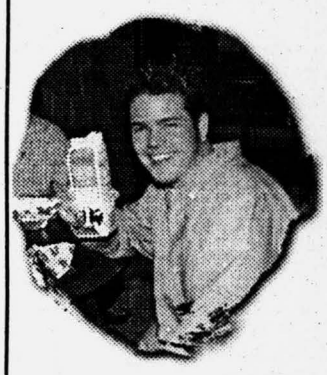
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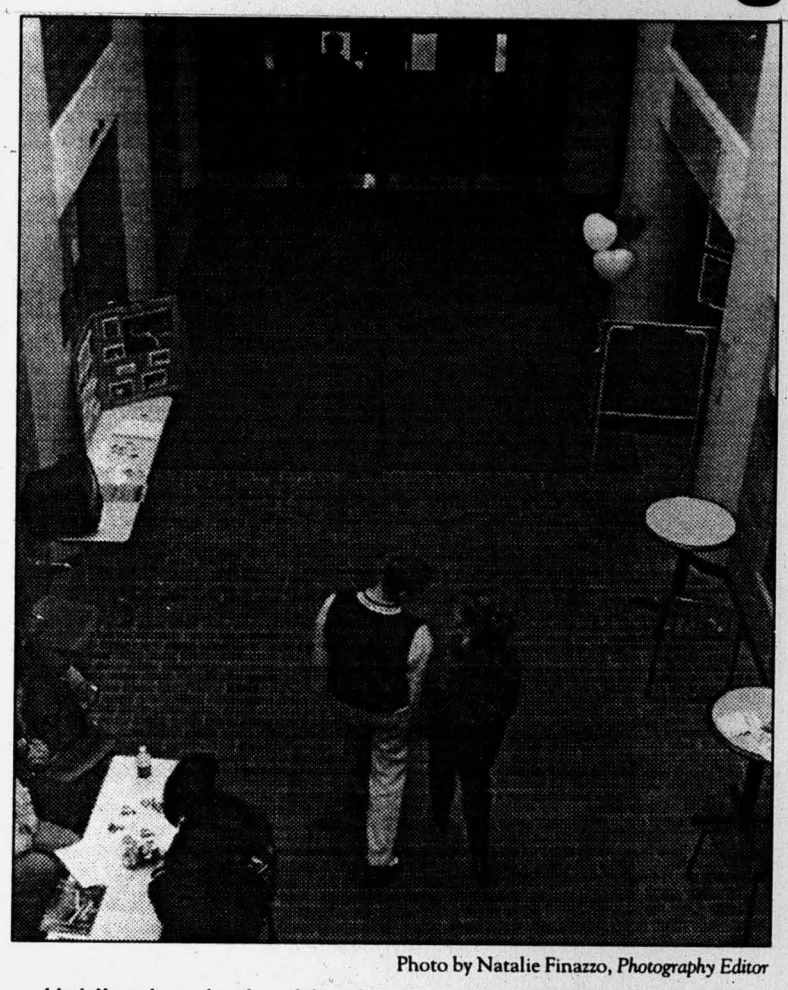


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Holding hands should only occur after the first date. Obviously this couple has been together for quite some time.

■ **Coleman the "Dating Doctor" offered remedies to the dating dilemma in his seminar last Thursday. Wit, humor and advice are all part of his medicine for the dating impaired.**

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Imagine a big picture window in plain view. Beyond the glass, the happiest, most joyful scene ever to have occurred in a lifetime is taking place. This picture is unique and individual to each person. It could be laughing with friends and family or looking at the sun set behind the mountains. Anything goes here as long as it is the most enjoyable scene ever pictured. Is it vivid and clear? Now, imagine it's gone and it will never be seen again. How does it feel to have all of this disappear within a second? List three words that describe these feelings.

This test, the Jahari Window, was administered last Thursday night by the "Dating Doctor," David Coleman, Entertainer of the Year, according to Campus Activities Magazine. This represents how one would feel when a long-lasting relationship ends unexpectedly.

The seminar covered everything from principles of relationships to what men and women REALLY want in a relationship. No holds barred here. It even became more entertaining when types of kisses such as the Hoover, the Octopus and the Twister were defined.

Coleman's approach was both practical and humorous in manner. He discussed issues relevant to college students who are dating and trying to find a date. Topics, such as nine ways to impress a man or woman were a few of the many tidbits of advice offered.

There are some basic guidelines to follow when trying to get the eye of the oposite sex. Generally, Coleman said men are looking for a woman who carries herself with poise. One who avoids facades of make-up, clothing, and accessories. In addition, men like a woman who won't analyze him, and lets him know he is needed but is not glued to him. Now men, the way to get to a woman's heart is to listen with your eyes as well as your ears; show you are truly interested. Also, be strong and exhibit confidence, yet do not go overboard. If consuming alcohol, do so socially- a sloppy drunk is no turn-on.

Coleman also gave key pointers such as five musts in a relationship: Trust, Respect, Intimacy, Passion, and Commitment. He went on further to make sure it was understood that intimacy does not always mean being physical with one another. Intimacy is emotional, mental, or physical. It depends on the level of the relationship.

Coleman made light of the series of heavy issues by reading cards students filled out at the beginning of the session. The cards were dreams about their fantasy date and what the best or worst pick up line used on them has been. One response to a fantasy date included Brad Pitt, a bowl of cherries, whip cream, on a beach alone for the night. As for the pick up lines used, it was obvious that Stout students had no trouble inventing those, good or bad.

If interested in tapping into some of Coleman's great concepts and ideas he can be reached on his website at: www.datingdoctor.com or by e-mail: dcoleman@fuse.net. He invites any questions or concerns and promises to respond within 72 hours.

Many often wonder who has the control in a relationship. The answer in the words of Coleman is this, "The person with the most control is the person who loves the other the least."

Beyond the candy heart

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

The value of roses may inflate by 200 percent on Valentine's Day, yet very few who celebrate this holiday actually know and understand the origin.

Valentine's Day traces back to the ancient Roman celebration of Lupercalia, which was originally held on February 15. The day honored the gods Lupercus and Faunus, along with the founders of Rome, Romulus and Remus. The main festivity of this day is believed to have been the pairing of men and women. Men would draw single women's names from a box, and the couple would then be paired until the next year's celebration.

Long ago, Valentine's Day was called Bird's Wedding Day. People believed that birds selected their lifelong mates and began to breed on February 14, the second week of the second month.

Although this holiday has always been considered a romantic one, it wasn't until recently that it was given its name, from a priest named Valentine. Valentine disobeyed a decree that said that soldiers must remain bachelors, and secretly performed marriage ceremonies for them and their fiancés. He was eventually caught, and was then sentenced to die on February 14, 270 a.d. In 496 a.d. he was named a saint by Pope Gelasius I, and eventually the holiday held on February 15 was moved to February 14 to honor him, and its name changed from Lupercalia to Valentine's Day.

The legendary Cupid is an important part of this holiday. According to ancient Roman mythology, Cupid was the son of Venus, goddess of love and beauty. Cupid had the ability to make people fall in love by shooting them with his magical arrows.

Since the beginning of this strange holiday, people have celebrated in unique ways. In Wales, wooden love spoons used to be carved and given as gifts on Valentine's Day. Decorations on these spoons were usually hearts, keys, and keyholes, signifying, "You unlock my heart."

In the Middle Ages, young men and women drew names from a bowl to determine who their valentine would be for the year. They would then wear the names of their intended on their sleeves for one week. This is where the phrase "wearing your heart on your sleeve" originates.

Ancient superstitions, some of which still exist today, include a belief that if a young woman received a gift of clothing on Valentine's Day and kept it, she would eventually marry the man who gave it to her. It was also believed that if a woman saw a robin flying overhead on February 14, she would marry a sailor. If she saw a sparrow, that meant she would marry a poor man and live a happy life. She would marry a millionaire if she spotted a goldfinch on that day.

Today, Valentine's Day is celebrated and viewed differently by all. Millions of roses and candy hearts are sold, yet not everyone feels that it is the perfect romantic holiday. According to one unnamed Stout student, "Valentine's Day is just an excuse to have to buy your girlfriend roses, and to keep Hallmark in business."

Calendar of Events

Black History Month

Feb. 11
Black History Jeopardy

Huffs 6-8p.m.
Features a Jeopardy style game which divides the participants into two teams. Questions will be asked concerning Black History facts and information.

Feb. 17
Poetry Reading

Huffs 7-9p.m.
Anyone is welcome to come and read their own poetry or selections which have been already published preferably by authors of African American decent.

Feb.28
Speaker Jamil Salaam

Ballroom B 4-6p.m.
Jamil will be sharing his stories of his 11 month excursion to Johannesburg in Africa

Feb. 26
"Back to our Roots" BSU Annual Ball

Great Hall 6-12a.m.
Formal ball featuring jazz band Chameleon. Dinner from 6-7:30p.m. Band starts playing at 8p.m. tickets $12 per person

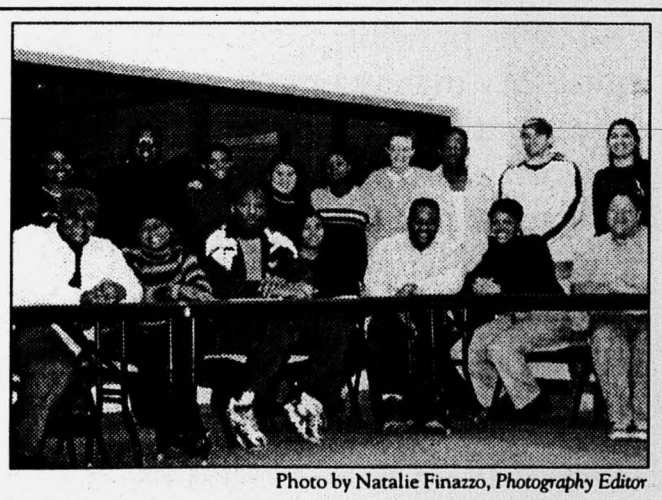


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Detective Beth Winge

Case Number: 002
Full Name: Black Student Union

Under investigation for: Creating cultural awareness and tolerance of diversity-related life issues. It has been reported that they have been associated with the Dance for Diversity, a dance held to promote cross-cultural communication. Illegal activities have been reported, including sponsoring events for Black History Month in February. Money from these events has been laundered to various charitable groups (presumably well known mob fronts).

Common Misconception: A student has to be of African American decent to be a member. News flash: Black History is EVERYONE'S history.

Current reports have suggested: In honor of Black History Month, the organization has planned a sequence of events for February. Black History Jeopardy, a poetry reading, the BSU Annual Ball, and speaker Jamil Salmaan are all part of this unauthorized schedule.

Suspicious behavior: A source has reported secret meetings held every Wednesday night. This meeting is only open to anyone that is interested.

Future investigations concerning: Increasing membership through awareness and promotion of the benefits in becoming involved with an organization of this nature. Leadership has also been rumored to be in transition. People should be on the look-out for additional suspicious characters.

Suspicious characters: Melissa Benish, Emanuel King, and Angelique Johnson. They are current leaders of this underground organization.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week, Chloe gets a new dog, but they have chosen to wait to live together.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter



This week I lost my voice for four days. It started going on Saturday while I was at work. I thought I would take it easy that night and go to bed early. I ended up getting to sleep around 3:30 a.m., because I thought going out and dancing would make me feel better??? I woke up for work at 7:00 the next morning without an inkling of sound coming out of my throat.

Let me pause to say I work as a server at Jake's Supper Club. This means it's kind of imperative that I talk to people. We just happened to be slammed that entire day (go figure). I think people felt sorry for me, because I got really good tips. You know you sound bad when you say, "Hi, I'm Chloe and I will be your server this afternoon," and people respond by saying, "God, what happened to you?"

The agony of speaking ended at 4:00 p.m. when my shift was finally completed. I then traveled directly into the Cities. This is another story in itself.

My mom had called me at the beginning of last week with a surprising situation. A friend of hers had a six-month-old Gordon Setter. Well, in actuality, it was her 25 year-old son's dog. He didn't have enough time to raise a pet. For the time being, that meant they were stuck with three dogs, only one of them an adult. You can imagine what that house is like on a bad day!

My mother just wanted me to go look at him (I can't believe I fell for that one). Then she makes the offer even harder to refuse. She says that if I don't have time for a dog, she will train him until I graduate in three months. Gee, let me think. New dog, no responsibility, and he will be trained when I get him. Twist my arm.

We arrive at the house and I can just feel the family's sadness of giving away a family member. I know how they feel. When Bailey died, I felt I lost a part of my family. In their case, it was a hard decision. There was no doubt they were crazy about the dog, but how does one weigh that out with the realization that there is not enough time in the day to spend with a living creature desperate for all of your attention?

The parents gave us a summary of his demeanor, but the Son could barely voice a word. The only thing he said to us was, "Just promise you will love him." If that doesn't make a girl want to break down, I don't know what does. I wanted to tell him I would love the dog with my whole heart. I wanted him to know the dog would never be lacking. I wanted to shout at the top of my lungs, "I will be responsible, I will take him for long runs, I will brush his fur." But all I could do was nod my head and mouth the words, "I will."

Our family went to discuss in private if the dog was going home with us or not. I said, "I will take the dog under one condition...the dog's full name will be Samsonite." They all laughed until they realized I was serious. To prove my stubbornness, I called him Samsonite over and over again that whole night. I think it is one of those names that you get used to after awhile. Either that or they will hear it so much it can't help but catch on.

The car ride home was interesting. We had two dogs, (since my parents will not step out of the house without bringing their dog/son Chance) my parents, sister and I all in the same car. On top of the dogs growling at each other, my mom makes the statement directed to me, "The son seemed pretty nice, don't you guys think?" Yeah, subtle mom. You know, besides the fact that I'm taking his loved pet from him, I don't know why you wouldn't want to set me up with him.

I could just see it, a few months later I'd be on The Love Connection explaining the date. "You know Chuck, the date was going great until I brought up the dog. All of a sudden, he hit me over the head with a bottle of wine and walked out. I guess the date ended there." It wouldn't be the worst date story I have ever told.

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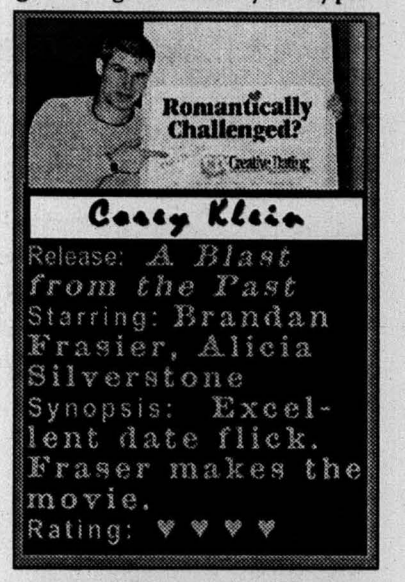
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Brandan Fraser is a Valentine's Day *Blast*

Outwardly, it will seem like your typical boy-meets-girl story. But *Blast From the Past*, thanks to straight-man Brandan Fraser, is anything but your typical love story, and carries enough humor to turn the film into a winner.

The film is a little unwieldy at first. The storyline begins in the sixties where an eccentric physicist (Christopher Walken, *Pulp Fiction*) has built a fallout shelter to save his wife (Sissy Spacek, *Coal Miner's Daughter*) and their unborn son from a "guaranteed" attack from the Russians. When a plane crashes in the neighborhood, the pair believe they're under attack and lock themselves in the shelter for safety reasons.

Fast forward thirty years, when their son Adam grows up to be the man who has never lived above ground. The San Fernando Valley, which was a "pleasantville"-type neighborhood in the sixties, has become the decrepit cesspool it remains today. In his parents' aging condition, Adam is nominated to go above ground and try to buy provisions from the "sub creatures" the fallout supposedly created.



Adam rushes to the surface, partially in hopes of finding a girl. There he meets a range of people, from the druggie who worships him as Christ's second coming to Eve (Alicia Silverstone), who promises to aid him in buying provisions.

In Adam's adventures on the surface, a fish-out-of-water comedy arises, as Fraser perfectly plays a man who is from another planet. Phrases such as, "Oh thank my lucky stars! A Negro!" (upon seeing his first African-American) attest to his naiveté from living underground his whole life.

In other aspects Adam is far superior to the average 1990s male American. Scenes where the character speaks Latin, performs ballroom dance flawlessly, and is a complete gentleman show how cultured and respectful the ways of the past were.

The movie is superbly acted with one exception. Alicia Silverstone's talent, or lack thereof, shows through out the film. The "Phenom" has only acted well while playing herself (*Clueless*) and is a downer in this film. Since making her debut, she has made half-bit attempts at teeny-bopper films (remember *Excess Baggage?*), and ruined what could have been summer blockbusters (*Batman and Robin*). Maybe if she stopped attempting to speak lines through the side of her mouth she would be more believable on screen.

Despite Silverstone's shortcomings, Fraser saves the day, playing the perfect gentleman and saving the film from being tossed out and labeled a loser.

Men beware! The film is a great date-flick, but I wouldn't suggest it as an alternative to a guy's night playing cards. *A Blast From the Past* is an excellent film and rates a four, a tough Valentine's Day-ish film to pass up.

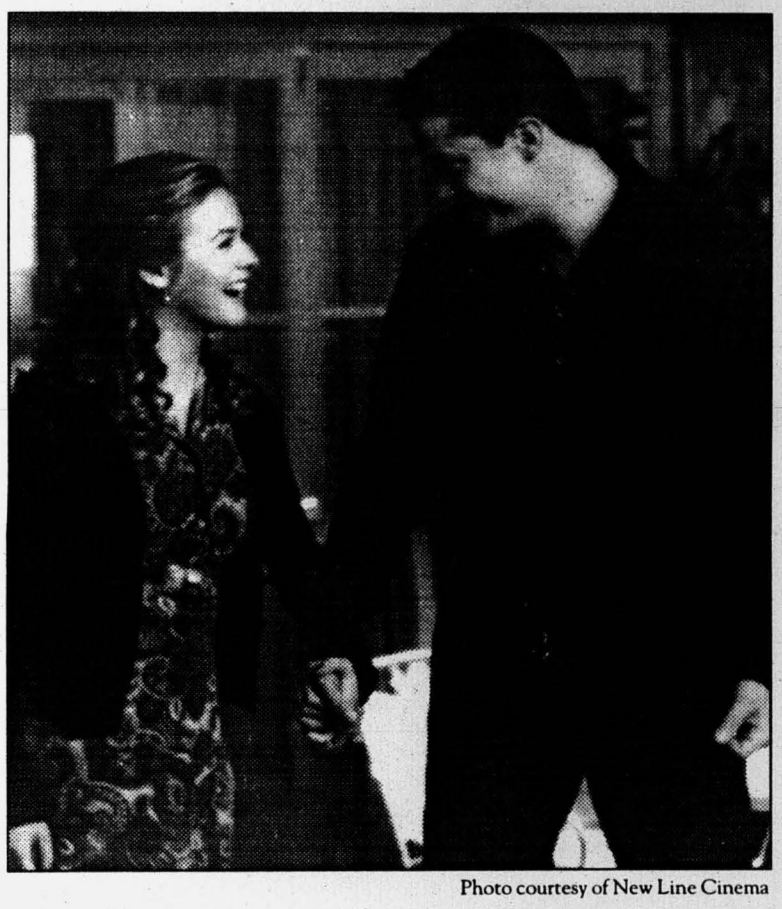
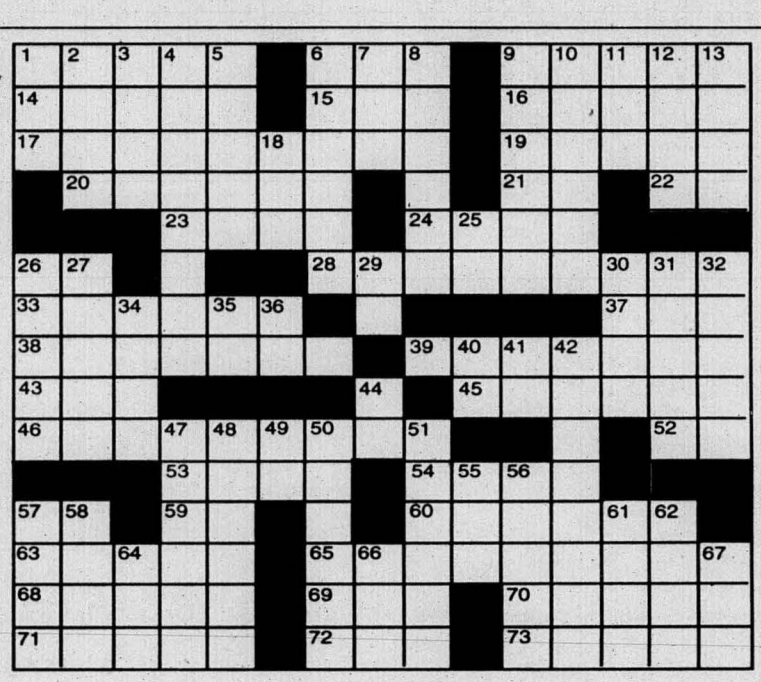


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Eve (Alicia Silverstone) gives some above ground pointers to Adam (Brandan Fraser) in the movie *Blast From the Past* opening this Friday. Fraser carries the film, and makes it a perfect Valentine's Day pick.

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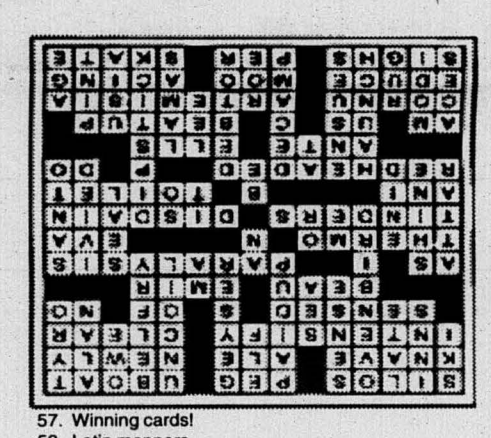


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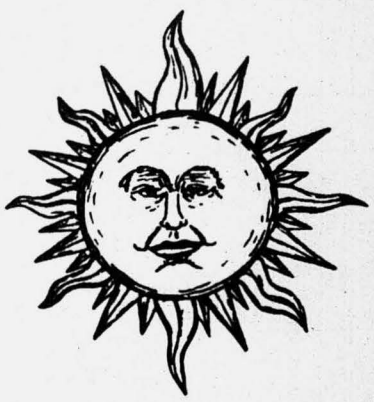
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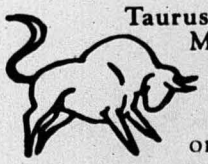


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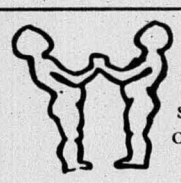
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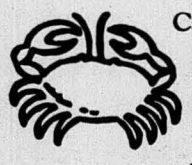
Aries (March 21 - April 19) Someone you really don't like will make repeated attempts to talk to you today. The best way to handle this situation is to stuff extremely crunchy food in your mouth during each attempt, and then mumble "What?" while accidentally showering him with tiny particles.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Start the day out by babbling on and on about the special Valentine's Day you have planned for you and your sweetie. When the special day arrives, take him or her out for a nice dinner at the Wal-Mart food court. They'll enjoy this sort of humor.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Don't bother to scream for help. No one will hear you.



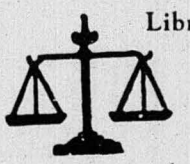
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) You will be showered with gifts of sweet little chocolate candies this Valentine's Day. Unfortunately, you'll weigh over 900 lbs. by the end of the week.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Go all out this Valentine's Day and decide to make your own candy hearts. This way you can create your own personalized messages to put on them. Some popular phrases are "I love your hairy ass," or "I'm tickled pink when you fart in my face."



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) A few papers have mysteriously gotten wrinkled in your book bag today. I suspect some higher force of witch craft.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You've been very naughty. You're going to get a spanking for that one. However, I have a feeling that you won't mind it.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Keep a small collection of ants in your pockets. Tell others you have ants in your pants. They won't get it.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) You will be plagued today with theological doubt, and will ponder with the idea of changing your religion. Subconsciously, this is because you're envious of the really cool hats some of the people in other religions get to wear.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) An elderly gentleman next to you on the bus will spontaneously combust today, and you'll become an instant hero when you put him out with your Slushy.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Classes are already starting to bore you. Find a few small ways to make the time more bearable. Start a poker game in the back of the classroom. Enforce a cover charge.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Go for a romantic walk with your significant other this Valentine's Day. Pick the perfect moment to show them how much you care. Then, push them down on the ice and run away really fast.

The top 100 movies of all time, round three

What's up everybody? It's time for me to piss you off again with my next 25 movies. Hopefully these 25 won't sit so bad with you. Maybe if you read my reasons why, they won't look so bad.



50. I'm sure some people will try to kill me for putting *The Princess Bride* so low on my list, but I couldn't help it. I mean it was funny, but compared with some other comedies I've seen it just couldn't hold up.

49. You wouldn't really be able to tell that *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective* was Carrey's first movie. He seems like one of those people you think are real funny at first but after a few days around him you'd find annoying.

48. *Batman* got so much hype, and so far it's been the only one of the series that deserved it. Remember how you couldn't get into the debut without a Batman T-shirt? Now that was marketing. Moneygrubbers!!

47. *Field of Dreams* had something so unique to it. Although, if a field of corn started talking to me I'd probably be thinking it's time to move. Can we say Poltergiest?

46. *American Graffiti* was like a time warp. It's got Ron Howard and Richard Dreyfuss in their young years when they both had full heads of hair. It's a classic about making that transition from high school to college.

45. I don't know how many big name actors were in *Outsiders*. Tom Cruise, Patrick Swayze, Rob Lowe...etc. If you haven't seen it yet you can probably flip on TBS or TNT right now and catch it.

44. *Die Hard* is one of the best terrorist vs. the good guy films. And like half of the other terrorist movies, Bruce Willis plays the good guy. Ya gotta love it.

43. I may not like a lot of Quentin Tarantino films, but *Pulp Fiction* is already a classic. Travolta and Samuel L. Jackson were casted perfectly. Plus, it's back-to-back Bruce!

42. I miss Chris Farley.

41. *Rebel without a Cause* was a little on the weird side. It's one of the only black-and-white movies that I know of that seems to speak directly to a younger audience. And who could pick a better rebel than James Dean?

40. All work and no play make Jack a good actor.

39. Spielberg never seems to make a bad film. *Close Encounters of the 3rd Kind* is one of the few movies that makes peaceful alien encounters seem possible. Could this mean something?

38. I don't think many people have seen *Juice*, but I thought it was a great hood movie. What separated it from the other hood movies was its focus on the main character's dream of becoming a professional DJ.

37. *Terminator II* was a great follow up to the first terminator movie. Arnold's return as the terminator, as well as the special effects, really help this movie outdo the first terminator. I especially like the sequel's twist of making Arnold a good guy.

36. Again, this is another movie that very few have seen. It's a Disney flick about a young robot named *D.A.R.Y.L.* (Data, Analyzing, Robot, Youth, Lifeform). It was my favorite movie when I was in middle school.

35. What a great idea for a movie. I love 80s music and I loved how *The Wedding Singer* made fun of it. Drew Barrymore and Adam Sandler have great chemistry together.

34. Imagine how fun elementary school could have been if you had a *Billy Madison* in one of your classes. Adam Sandler was totally made for this role. I really wish he wouldn't have left Saturday Night Live so soon after he started.

33. Alfred Hitchcock has made so many great movies, and *Rear Window* is probably one of his best. It's a great suspense type movie, and Jimmy Stewart totally commanded his role. If you see any Hitchcock movie at all be sure to see this one.

32. *Dumb and Dumber* is one of the greatest comedies that I have ever seen. There are so many funny parts in this movie it's really hard to pick one that stands out. Without a doubt the funniest Jim Carrey movie so far.

31. My favorite of the *Back to the Future* trilogy. The special effects of this movie were so convincing that to this day some of my friends swear that they actually invented hover-boards, but they won't release them to the public because they're too dangerous.

30. Spielberg does it again. The sequel may have bombed, but *Jurassic Park* was amazing. What I like the most about it was the believability of the plot. The power of a few mosquitoes.

29. How cool is *The Wizard of Oz*? The way it changes from black and white to color, the dream-like feel of it, and a Pink Floyd connection to boot! Someone must have sold their soul to make this film so good.

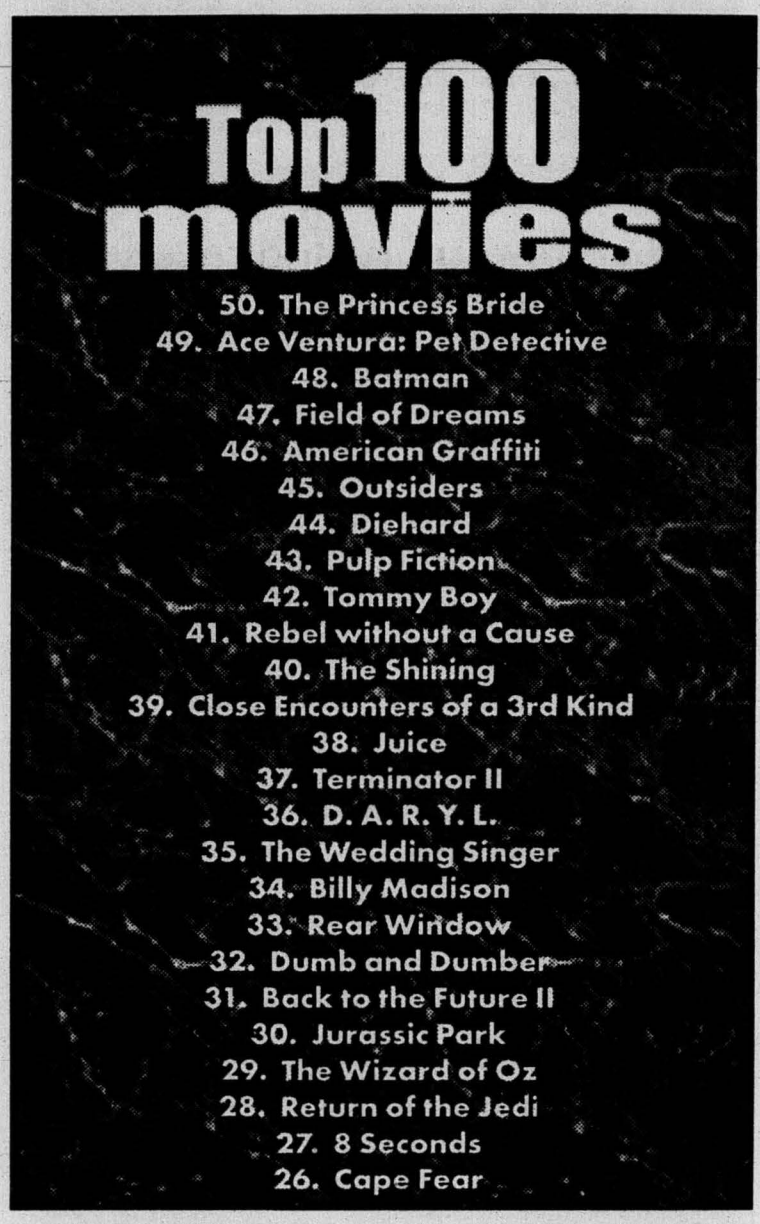
28. What top 100 list would be complete without a Star Wars movie in it, and since *Return of the Jedi* is my favorite of the series (so far) I figured I'd put it in and the other two could be substituted, depending on your personal preference.

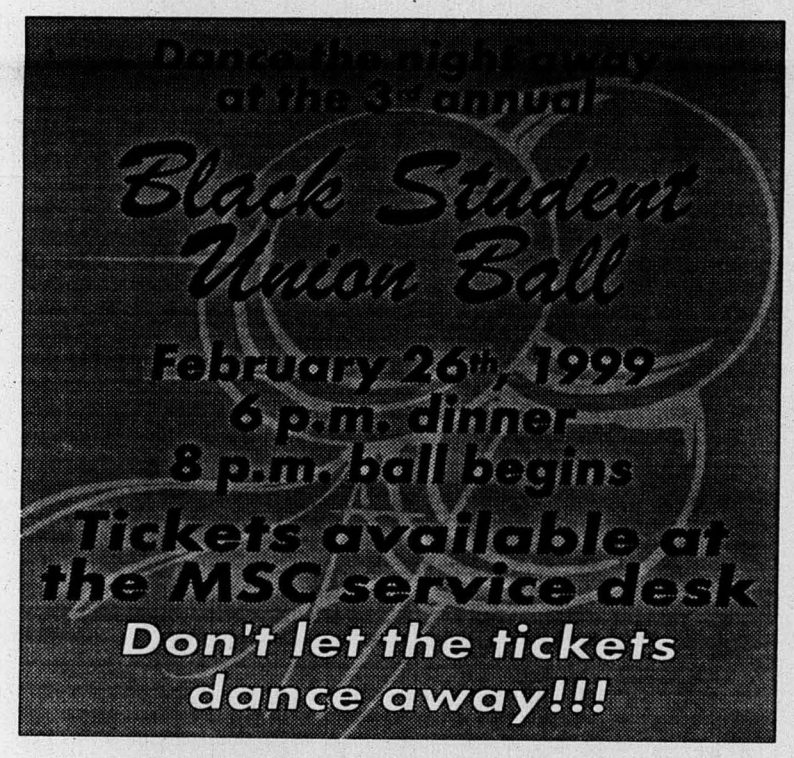
27. Wow, Luke Perry does a movie, and it's actually good! *8 Seconds* can really give you a different look at bull riding. It's one of my favorite based-on-a-true-story films.

26. Next to Michael Jackson, *Cape Fear* is one of the greatest thrillers of all time. Robert DeNiro plays the perfect madman with a little help from a great script.

Well, I hope I haven't caused any premature deaths yet. I promise you'll love the next 25. But if you don't, well...just lie to me. I'd never know the difference; just ask my parents how I fell for the one about being their favorite. I'm such a sucker.

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Rugby Club gets a revamped reputation

■ Stout's men of the scrum show their soft side by lending a hand to the community and receive a round of applause as they return to club status

by Kyle Madson
Sports Reporter

After a several year hiatus from the club sport scene at Stout, rugby has found its way back to campus.

The first rugby organization was initiated in 1979 on campus but was terminated in 1990 after a fatal off-the-field incident occurred involving several team members. The incident brought a bad reputation to the campus organization, and for seven years kept rugby off the playing field. However, in the fall of 1997, with the help of Recreation Commission Advisor Kris Patterson, Fleet Feet, and the Amundson family, rugby once again was recognized as a legitimate organization.

Since being reinstated in 1997, the club has made significant on- and off-the-field strides to re-establish their reputation with the school and community.

This fall, the team aided in a yard clean-up through the StoutReach program, as well as volunteered with the Stout Society for Exceptional Children. The community involvement, as well as new leadership in the organization, has created a solid base for the recently revived club.

On the field, the team has made equally impressive jaunts, playing from a 1-8 record in the spring of 1998 to a much improved 6-4-1 record this past fall. A big reason for their recent success on the field has been the increase in new players. When the team resurfaced on campus in 1997, they began with 23 members. This past fall they rounded up 44 players and are anticipating 50 to 60 members for the spring season. These figures make Stout's Rugby Club one of the largest in the UW system.

> **"Rugby is not as crazy as everyone thinks it is. You do have to have a little something wrong with your head to play, though."**
>
> Alex Eves,
> *Team Captain*



Photo submitted by Men's Rugby Club

The rough and tumble Men's Rugby Club has restored their image as a legitimate club sport on campus. Transferring some of their trademark on-the-field energy to bigger and better causes, they have volunteered their efforts to StoutReach and the Stout Society for Exceptional Children to give a whole new meaning to the term elbow grease.

Over-population is not a problem the Rugby Team is concerned with, though. "We're always looking for new players," said player and team captain Alex Eves. "No experience is necessary and there's lots of opportunity."

With 15 players on the field at any given time, there is no such thing as too many players, because as Eves explains, "players tend to get injured." Anyone who has seen the wrath that a rugby game can yield knows that this fact of the game is quite an understatement.

"Rugby is not as crazy as everyone thinks it is," said Eves of the second most played sport in the world. "You do have to have a little something wrong with your head to play, though." Eves attributes some of the excessive contact to the fact that there is only one referee to watch over the entire field. "That's where a lot of the craziness comes from ," he said.

The Rugby Team will trek to UW-Stevens Point this weekend to participate in Arctic Fest, an annual rugby tournament usually held on the frozen Wisconsin River. However, due to the unusually mild winter, the tourney will likely be moved to a secondary location.

Camaraderie is a big part of the sport of rugby, both with one's own team and with opposing teams. Tournaments are the highlight of the team's season due to the friendships acquired during and after the contests.

Women's Rugby was just recognized this semester as an organization on campus as well. The ladies will compete in a shortened schedule this spring and will begin their full schedule next fall.

Women rebound with underdog win

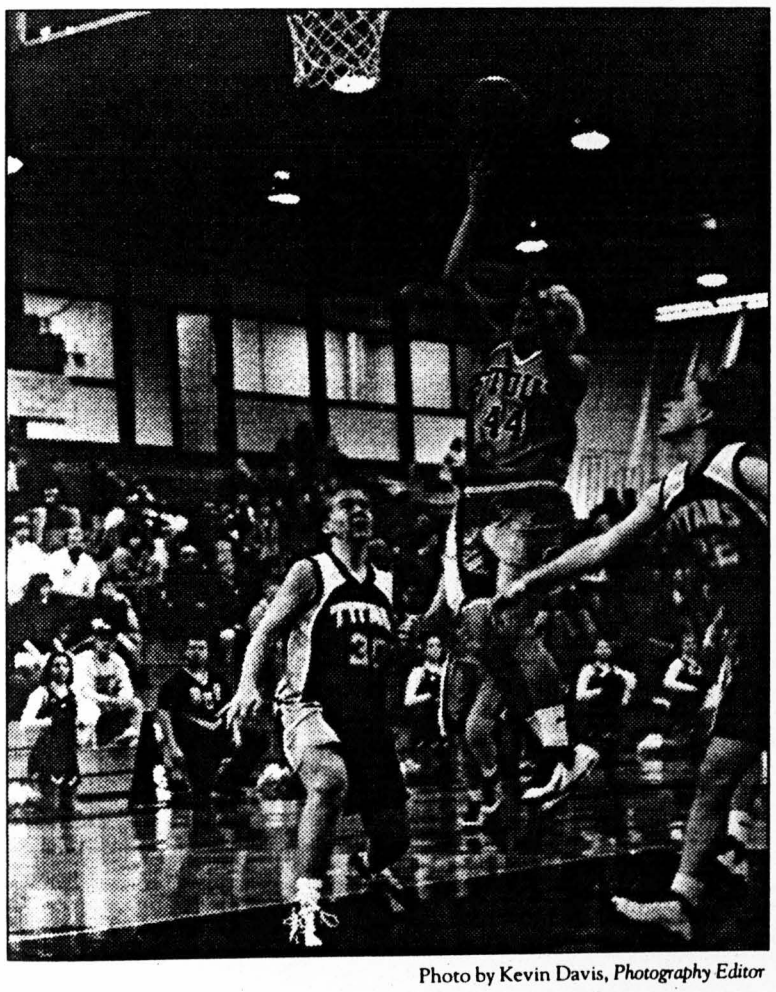


Photo by Kevin Davis, *Photography Editor*

Heather Peterson leaves two Oshkosh defenders wallowing in the paint as she drives the lane to a flawless lay-up. The Women's Team thrashed the Titans, who were until then enjoying an undefeated season.

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

So what's so significant about the UW-Stout Women's Basketball Team beating UW-Oshkosh last week? How about that Oshkosh was ranked at the top of the heap by USA Today as of game time last week. Pulling out a 74-69 victory was certainly a healing salve over Stout's loss to Oshkosh earlier this season.

Unfortunately, the victory still leaves Stout tied for fourth in the conference with River Falls, and was not enough to roust Oshkosh from their perch in the number one WIAC Central Region rankings. However, as the playoffs draw near, the Blue Devils can rest assured that no team will be looking forward to playing them, especially Oshkosh after the attack on their previously undefeated season.

While the thrill of victory is sure to be fresh in the mouths of Stout's talented women's squad, their treck is far from over. All of the remaining scheduled games this season are in conference match-ups.

Next week's match-up against UW-Stevens Point is going to be a close one. Last time these two teams met, the result was an overtime loss after a last minute buzzer beater. This time, playing on the road, Stout's plan of attack is going to rely upon getting out to an early lead and getting the crowd into the game.

"By making them come to us," Coach Mark Thomas said, "we can take away their big scoring threats, we can force some mistakes, and we can beat them."

His confidence is well founded, as 13 of the 15 lettermen from this year's squad will be returning next year. This asset is well represented in his strategy for the rest of the season.

"I want to continue to see improvement in both the play and consistency of our players, but more importantly, I want to build momentum for the future."

On the men's side of the ball, they're coming off of a hard last minute loss to Oshkosh. Making gains by as much as 21 points at one point, the team fell two points short of a victory last Saturday.

The key, according to Coach John Muraski, is that players must be willing to get out there and play 40 minutes of hard and fast basketball. That doesn't mean just the starters, or just one player, but rather all fifteen players playing every second as if the game is on the line.

Next week, the men's squad will also go up against UW-Stevens Point. A look back at Stout's performance against the Pointers at their last meeting reveals a solid lead that disintegrated - and was barely held on to - a memory that will be in the back of everybody's mind as the teams clash again on Wednesday.

The Women's Basketball Team will play their last home game on Wednesday, Feb. 17 against UW-Platteville, a tough team, but one they have proven they can beat. However, crowd turnout could be the difference between sweeping the boards and wiping the wound of a dirty loss.

THE Agenda

UW-Stout's Upcoming Sports Schedule

Men's Hockey
Feb. 12-13 7 p.m.
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Track and Field
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Gymnastics
Feb. 12 7 p.m.
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Feb. 17 7 p.m.
at UW-Platteville

Women's Basketball
Feb. 13 3 p.m.
at UW-Superior
Feb. 17 7 p.m.
vs. UW-Platteville

Men climb Volleyball ranks

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

The Stout Men's Volleyball Team had big expectations to be back in the top 25 national rankings this year after ending last season in 19th place. Well, with big expectations comes a demand for big results. And BIG results are what the team is enjoying. Stout started the preseason ranked 25th, and due to their undefeated season they have inched their way into the 20th spot, eager to exceed last year's performance.

Stout started the season last semester with a home win over UW-River Falls and then had a month off for Christmas, before starting back two weeks ago.

"It was hard having a month off and not being able to practice with the team," said outside hitter Andrew Higgins. "We had to come back to school and play our first tournament after only two practices."

Stout started the season strong Jan. 31 at the River Falls Invitational, going undefeated in pool play, beating UW-River Falls, the University of Minnesota-Duluth, Michigan Technical College and UW-Eau Claire.

Stout then moved on to the championship match against Winona State University, starting out strong but losing the first game. Coming as close as one point from losing the match in the second game, Stout withheld their attack and won the deciding match.

Stout moved the ball around well, allowing many stars to appear. Justin Crist and Andrew Higgins led the Blue Devils with 34 kills each, while Willie Hall added 20, Dan Behnke 18, and Jason Peterson 17.

John Haggard had the biggest day on the defense side. Haggard, ironically the shortest player on the team, led the defensive effort with 28 blocks, 15 coming as a school record for solo blocks.

"I don't know what got into me. I just felt like I was jumping high and reading the hitters well," Haggard said.

Giving credit to first-year players Brian Uttley, John Tenwinkel, and Chad Fair, Crist also noted the importance of a strong rotation.

"We were able to get some of our bench players in and get them the experience that they need. A lot of our success is going to depend on our bench," Crist said.

Stout also had a big match last weekend against St. Cloud State University, who boasts a rank as 23rd in the nation. Stout started out slow in the first game but then rallied to within 2 points. Although eventually losing the first game, they came back to defeat their extremely tall opponents in the last three games.

"It was a huge win for us," said Behnke. "The confidence of the team really rises when we play well and beat a big team like St.Cloud."

Stout will be playing this weekend in their most difficult stretch of conference games. They will be taking on Minnesota State University-Mankato, Winona State, and second ranked in the nation Providence College from Canada.

The Blue Devils will be showing their nationally ranked play at the Johnson Fieldhouse during the next five weeks. Keep your eyes out for Stout's upcoming home matches against local rivals UW-River Falls and UW-Eau Claire.

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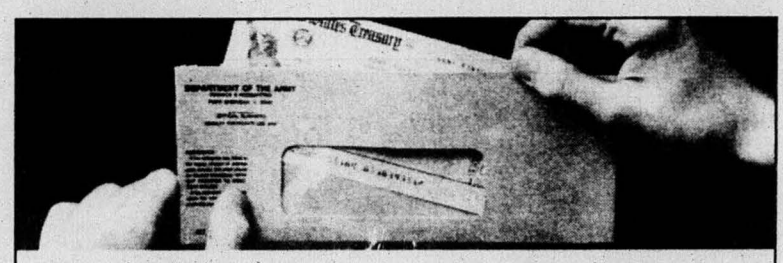
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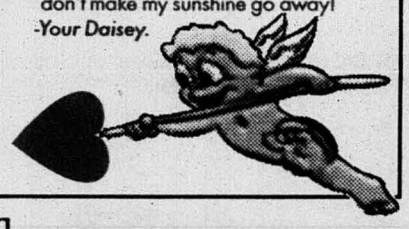
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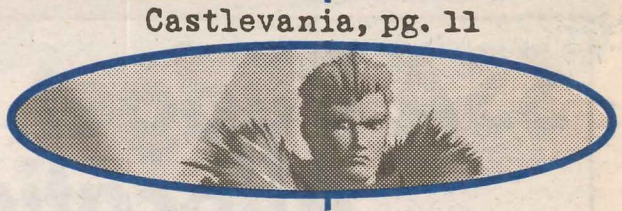
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Two arrested in stereo equipment bust

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Following a two-night stakeout, UW-Stout Campus Police finally have their man. Or young men, that is. Twins from Eau Claire, 20 years old, are believed responsible for a theft spree that began as Stout students arrived for the new semester.

Reports of car audio thefts and car damage poured in to campus and city police from Stout motorists storing their cars in Lots 4 and 5, near the Johnson Fieldhouse. "We got hit really hard, the city and us," Sgt. Lisa Walter said. So last week officers positioned unmarked cars near the parking lots and the junction of 17th Street and South Broadway. On the second night, two men were observed ripping the antenna off a vehicle and using it as a tool to break in through the door and were nabbed on site.

Daniel and Steven Schuch were charged with entry into a locked vehicle, criminal damage to property, and attempted theft.

With a search warrant in hand, officers found $5,000-$7,000 in car audio equipment in the basement of the suspects' home. Both live with their parents and as far as police know, do not have any connection to Stout or the City of Menomonie. They are believed to be connected to thefts in Eau Claire and other areas as well. But most of the recovered equipment is believed to be owned by Stout students.

After further investigation, more charges will be filed against the duo next Monday with the District Attorney's office. Police are working this week on matching up owners with stolen property, verifying serial numbers, and contacting pawn shops in the area. One hit in a Rice Lake, Wisconsin pawn shop has been confirmed.

"I can't take Menomonie for granted anymore, even though it's

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Vehicle/Parking Lot Tips

✔ Never hide keys in vehicle
✔ Engrave or mark easily removable items (CDs, stereo face plates, speaker boxes)
✔ Keep receipts for aftermarket stereo equipment and record serial numbers
✔ Report suspicious persons in campus parking lots to University Police, X2222
www.uwstout.edu/police/

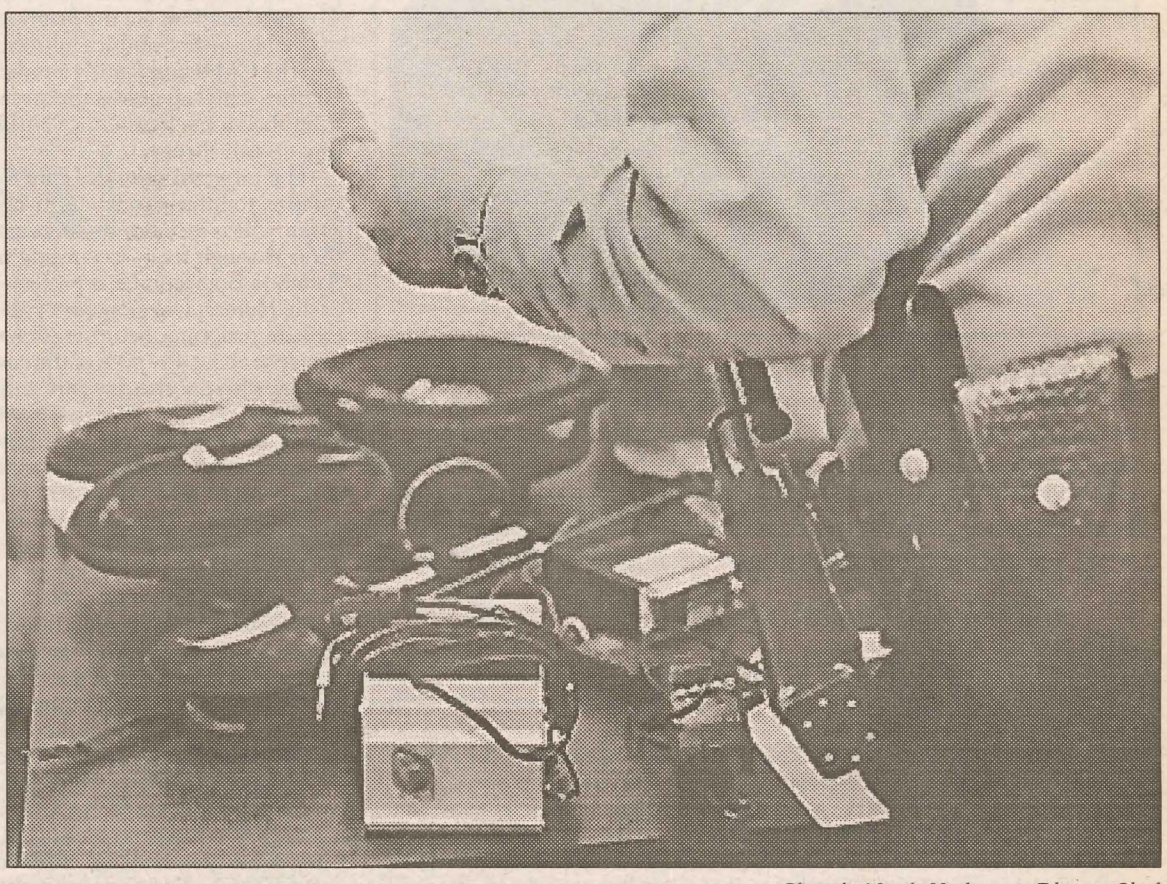


Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

A campus police officer pores over the estimated $5,000-$7,000 dollars in stolen stereo equipment recovered late last week. Campus parking lots and the city were hit with a string of thefts at the beginning of the semester. A late night stake-out finally nabbed the young suspects.

Cold season hits campus

by Sarah Gudmanson
Staff Reporter

An increasing number of students are coming down with persistent weakness, fever, cough, and sore throats.

The Student Health Services nurse reports that February is usually the month where sickness peaks. Despite this fact, she states, "In all my ten years working here, I have never seen so many students calling and coming in sick." Because of the increased cases, the clinic has often been double-booked.

This back-up has caused problems with students who have walked in without appointments. A few times they had to be transported back by security because they were too weak to make it back to South Campus, or wherever they lived.

Despite the heavy load of sick students, the Student Health Services tries to screen calls and admit the serious cases. If unable to schedule someone in, a nurse will listen to the symptoms and offer care advice. Some students have even been told that it's preferrable they not come in, as they may contaminate others.

There have been two confirmed cases of students with the virus Influenza B and many others who have the symptoms.

Campus residents aren't the only ones getting hit by this wave of illness. An article in the Dunn County News reports an increase in the usual number of 60 to 70 patients to a record 110 patients visiting the urgent care clinic on Monday.

"The whole rugby team is sick, mostly from chest colds...one guy was brought to the hospital this morning for chest X-rays," said Jake Dahn, sophomore, while waiting to see a Health Center nurse.

For the fortunate few who have remained healthy, there are some basic care tips that may help you stay that way. Drinking plenty of fluids, getting enough sleep, and eating right are a few safeguards against illness. It is also important to wash your hands thoroughly after using the bathroom and before and after handling food. An even further step in prevention is to get the flu shot, if you have not done so previously.

The students who are ill are advised to get the same - rest and fluids. Taking aspirin substitutes, cough medicines, and throat sprays may bring some relief. Unfortunately, the flu is a virus that can take up to two weeks to run its course.

Pop quiz on Black history

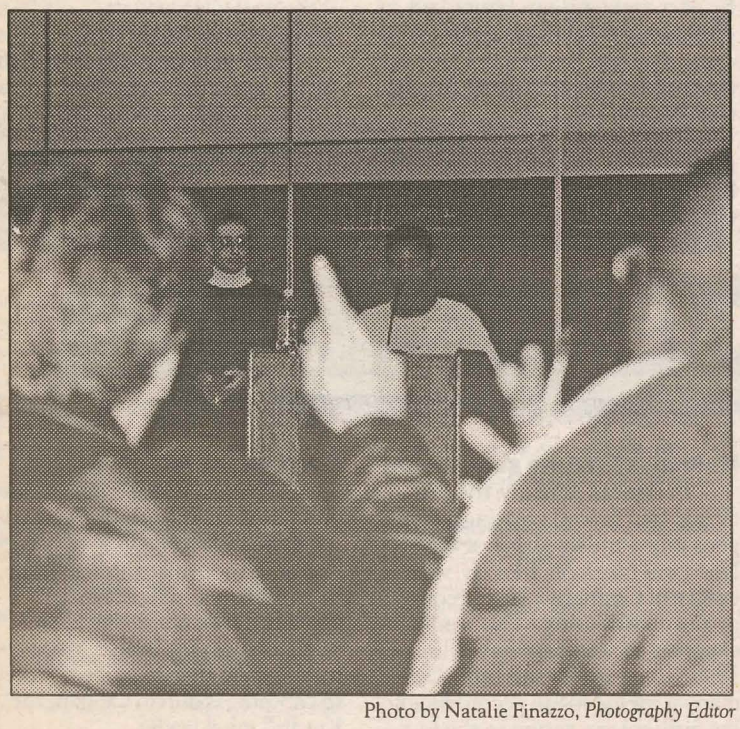


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Part of the Black History Month calendar of events, a Jeopardy style game was held last Thursday night in Huff's. Teams divided and attempted to answer questions about Black history. See page 6 for more on Stout's celebration of African American roots and history.

Beer sales a touchy subject

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

The topic of beer sales on Stout's campus is a divided issue among faculty and students. With 43% of students on Stout's campus being under the legal drinking age, the possibilities of ever having an on campus bar seem impracticable.

When the Student Memorial Center was opened in 1985, regular alcohol sales to students were eliminated. Other schools in the UW system have maintained open bars to students on a weekly basis. On Eau Claire's campus alcohol is served at the Cabinet, and Madison's campus is well known for its bar over-looking the lake.

"Eau Claire's Cabinet is open to students on Friday and Saturday nights, occasionally even Thursday nights if there is a band," states Ron Markwell, the director of food services on Eau Claire's Campus. "We've been fortunate, there's never been any problems with having the bar open to students."

There are some rumors that Huff's was originally built to help facilitate alcohol sales. The million dollar room was completed in 1989, and is fully equipped with a kitchen and service window that are rarely used.

"I feel that Huff's is a room that is not being fully utilized," states Tom Micek, a custodian of 21 years here at Stout. "The old student center used to have no problems with serving alcohol, and students used those facilities regularly, especially when musical groups performed."

In the former student center, alcohol was treated as any other beverage. During this time the legal age to buy alcohol was eighteen, and almost all college students were of age. However beer sales were unsuccessful.

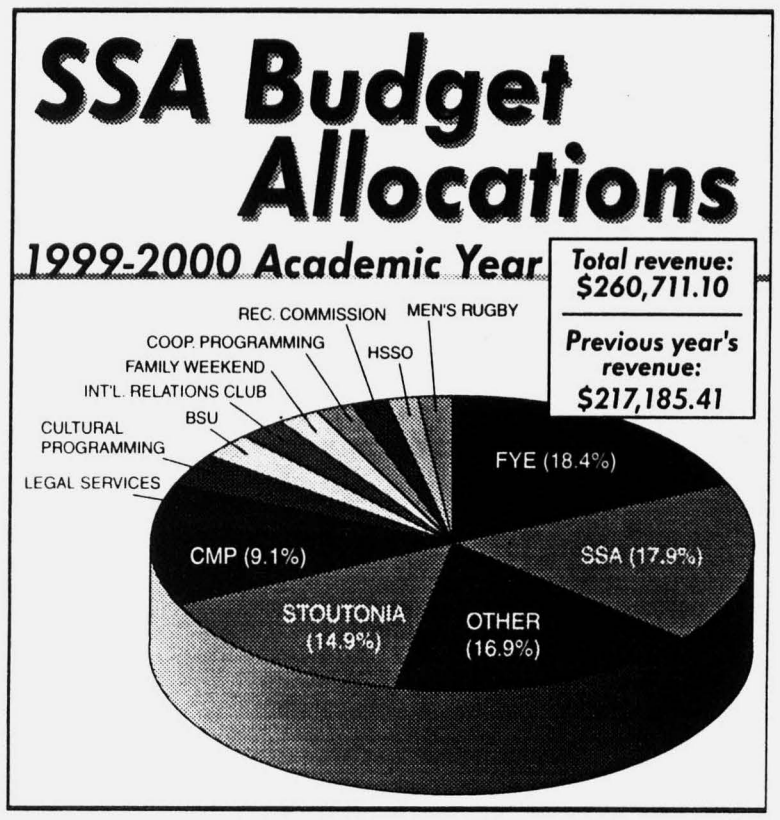
"Often beer would go stale because sales were so poor," explains Bob Johnson, the Director of the Memorial Student Union. "This along with the legal drinking age being increased, the University felt it had to follow the letter and spirit of the law, and limit beer sales."

While alcohol is offered at specific functions on Stout's campus, there are specific Federal, State, and local regulations that must be strictly followed. For example, if alcohol is to be served at a campus event, there cannot be any participants under the age of twenty-one attending. "However, if a separate bar is set up in an isolated area, and security check's ID's, than it could be allowed at events such as FYE for example," comments Johnson.

"I feel more students would hang out on campus if alcoholic beverages were available on campus," comments Kate Madsen a senior in Family and Human Development. "Plus I bet more people would attend FYE events, or even the rec. center if alcohol was available."

To get approval to serve alcohol at events on campus, paperwork must be filled out, and a fee must be paid to the university. In the past FYE has served alcoholic beverages at concerts, but for the

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Recognized student organizations vie each year for SSA's money, hoping to receive the funds needed to run programs, hold events, and go on retreats. Several organizations became part of SSA's budget for the first time, while others had their budget slashed. The budget review board was notably more intense this year, combing over each proposal thoroughly and questioning what has become the status quo in funding for many groups.

Stout childcare cost may go down

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

Now that the 5% tuition increase has been determined, where will that extra money be going? Stout's child care center hopes to receive some of that funding.

Started in 1926, the child care center has two functions. One of these is the laboratory section, where students observe children in order to learn about their behavior. The other part of the program is the day care section itself, which provides care to students' children. The two locations are the first floor of the Home Economics building and the Child and Family Studies Center, which is across the street from the Home Economics building, on 6th Street.

The program provides care for infants, toddlers, and a multi-age group, which includes children ages three through five. According to Amanda Branscombe, a professor of the Human Development Family Life program, Stout students comprise about 40 - 50% of the customers who use the day care center. Most of these students have infants and toddlers enrolled in the program, while members of the community often have the older children enrolled. The center allows for 8 infants and 8 toddlers each to be in the program at any time.

According to Branscombe, the Stout Student Association targeted the child care center because Henry Tyler, President of the SSA, has a child himself and has a strong commitment to quality child care.

The current costs for the center varies, based on the age of the child. For a full day of care for an infant, it is $127.00. Toddlers cost $122.50 a day, while preschool age children cost $107.50. Variations, such as half-day schedules, are available.

If the child care center receives extra funding due to the tuition increase, the extra money will go to lowering the rates for students, and to purchase new supplies, equipment, and to hire additional personnel. The new rates have not been decided yet, but if they change, it will take effect in the fall of 1999. Students must register their child this spring for the new rates available this fall, because the program operates on a first-come, first-served basis.

Although there is no eligibility for financial assistance, Branscombe hopes the rates will decline, so that the program is accessible to more students. With the new funding, it is hoped that additions to the center can be made. As demand for the program increases, the center will try to meet the demand by expanding the program in a two or three year phase, depending on need and resources.

There is currently a waiting list for admittance into the program, and that waiting list is anticipated to grow if the rates decrease. If the center receives the necessary extra funding, it is hoped that the program can grow to fit students' needs.

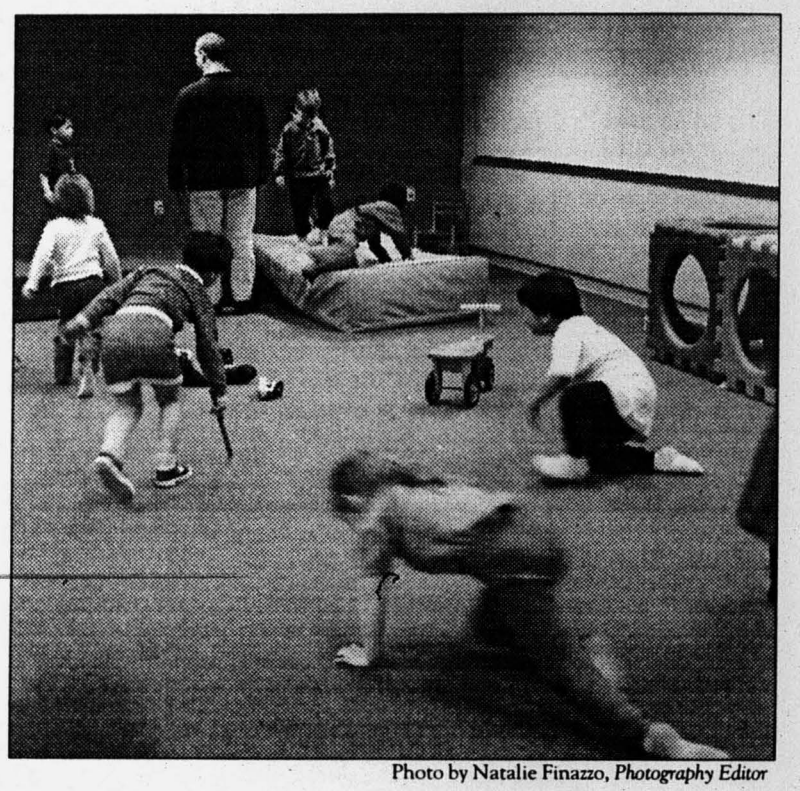


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The child care center, located on 6th Street behind the Human Environmental Sciences building, may see some relief after receiving additional funding from the tuition hike.

Police bust/thiefs caught

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granted anymore, even though it's a small town. People's guard is down here more than in the city...you can't do that," Prather Fowlkes, theft victim, said.

Restitution for victims may be possible through the DA's Victims Witness Office after all charges have been filed, and verified victims will be contacted. Damage to vehicles was minimal, Walter said, but victims may be compensated for that as well.

"Most of the time, these guys were good. Most of the time they would just Slim Jim the doors open. There were a couple broken windows and damage to the dashes," she said.

"We haven't had one [bust] like this, that has recovered so much Stout property, since I started here 5 1/2 years ago. I know the city has caught some, but nothing to this magnitude."

Victims of these thefts should contact Campus Police at ext. 2222 to identify their property.

Police Beat

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Theft

A female student lost her wallet somewhere between the LLC and MSC. She attempted to locate it without success. The wallet contained $100 American cash, 300-400 dollars in Hong Kong money, three credit cards, a driver's license, and social security card. The student called the credit card companies to cancel the cards, but found out someone had already charged $135 and $136.

Intoxicated driver

While at McDonald's an officer was advised by employees that the car ahead was being driven by an intoxicated driver. The officer immediately alerted MPD and attempted to locate the car. Once the car was located, the officer made contact with the driver. The driver had bloodshot eyes and a definite odor of alcohol could be detected. When MPD arrived on the scene, the matter was handed over to them.

Theft

A student reported a number of items stolen from her pool locker. Those items include running pants, volleyball shoes, two racing swimsuits, and a few other small items. She last checked her locker on Friday, Feb. 5 around noon. She was sure it was locked and found her Stout-issued lock inside.

Aid to sick

An ambulance was dispatched to transport a female student that was found on a bathroom floor in the Communications Building. The student's belongings were retrieved from a classroom and brought to her in the hospital.

Citations

For the week of Feb. 8-14, there were seven underage drinking tickets and one drug paraphernalia violation issued.

Beer/Only served at events

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most part has found it to be too much of a hassle, not increasing profit or making a real difference in the turn out of students.

Monica Orr who is a member of FYE feels that alcohol is not a deciding factor when students decide whether or not to attend the event, "There have been great turn outs at many of our concerts when alcohol was not even an option."

University Notes

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Microsoft PowerPoint '97 workshop

The LIT Cooperative Training Group is sponsoring a workshop, entitled "Using PowerPoint to Create Presentations," on Tuesday, Feb. 23 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. The workshop will be held in Micheels Hall Computer Lab, Pod 2. Sign up is at the Library Reference Desk. Call x 1353 if you have questions.

Scholarships offered

The Menomonie Area Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) is offering one $300 Adult Learner scholarship for the 1999-2000 school year. Applicants must be at least 25 years old. Application forms are available at the Financial Aid office (210 Bowman Hall), and in the Library Learning Center, room 208. Application deadline is April 9.

Call for music demo tapes

The Graphic Design Association and the Fine Arts Association are working together in a music poster design workshop. If you are interested in having promo posters made for your musical group, mail a demo tape, your group's name, and your contact information to: Mike Campbell, 1410 8th Street, Menomonie, WI 54751, or stop by at a meeting on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in AA124.

Spring break outdoor equipment special

The Recreation Center is offering a special rate for spring break. Rent any piece of equipment for the entire week and pay only one weekend rate. Cross country skis, snowshoes, tents, and all camping equipment is available. Contact the Rec Center at x1611 for more details, or stop down and reserve your equipment today.

Recapalooza coming soon

A spectacle of sporting events, inflatable games, and carnival games of skill for all UW-Stout students, staff, and faculty. This event will be held on March 23, from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Leagues are starting

Spring semester leagues are starting again at the Recreation Center. Come down and play ping-pong, 9-ball billiards, 8-ball billiards, darts, or bowling. Call x1611 for more information. This is the last week to join.

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Mexico and U.S. team up on drug war

On Monday, President Clinton indicated that he will certify Mexico as a reliable ally in the war against drugs. Despite Mexico's previous negative record on drug intervention, Clinton welcomed a plan to invest up to $500 million U.S. dollars in a new anti-drug initiative led by the Mexican government.

Holocaust claims announced

In Bonn, Germany, the first formal step toward creating a compensation fund for slaves of the Nazis was taken on Tuesday, with twelve of Germany's largest companies contributing. The fund is expected to start September 1, 1999. In return for this fund, Germany is asking for an accord blocking further legal action in the U.S.

Kurdish protesters killed

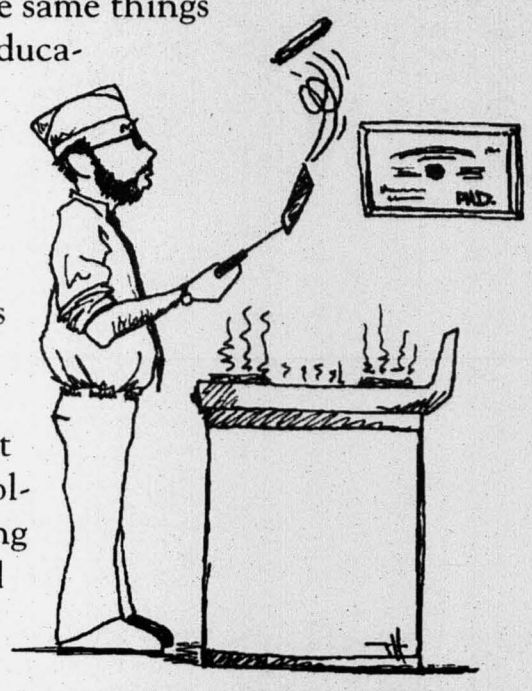
3 Kurdish protesters were shot and killed on Wednesday, according to officials, for trying to occupy the Israeli consulate. Meanwhile, in Jerusalem, the Kurds have apparently been upset by recent news reports that Israel's Mossad intelligence agency helped Turkey to capture Abdullah Ocalan, the Kurdish rebel leader.

Editorial

Take out education

Fast food, even faster relationships, one-touch gasing, ATM's, speed cycles, lightening e-mail (unless on Stout's server), quick marts, and virtual shopping- essence of the 90's. We wanted it yesterday, and we want it with a smile.

And now we want the same things from our colleges. Fast education, tailored to just us, and dispensed just the way we want it-or our money back. Students, more than ever, are behaving like consumers on campus. We don't want to be bothered by why or how, we just want the fast-order degree. College is simply the stepping ladder to "real" life. And so colleges across the country are losing the real "life" they once had. Surveys have shown that student power in college governance has increased, but undergrads are less interested in actually being involved in student government. The message? We don't want to be bothered with the whole process, just give us what we need.



One result of these emerging philosophies is a widening gap between students and professors. More than one faculty has heard the argument that students are the customers, so respect their wishes. Professors, used to times when higher education had a community feel to it, when students were excited about the whole college experience rather than just the degree for sale, take these customer service arguments to heart. The comparison often seems insulting, as if faculty are flipping burgers for us.



This argument, that the customer is always right, just doesn't fly in academia. Teaching simply cannot be compared with other professions where the "customer is always right."

Imagine telling a lawyer that pre-trial training is a waste and you can take on the prosecution just fine by yourself.

Students are not always right and the teacher-pupil relationship comes down to much more than just money.

On professor's salaries, they surely can't be in it for the money. So they must be in it because they want to teach. For those don't agree with their teacher's style, let them know. Let a Dean of Students know. But don't demand money back or claim poor customer service. This isn't K-Mart.

Not always a honeymoon

Marriage is more work than people generally think. The two words that come to mind that best define marriage are time and effort. I really have to laugh when I hear a lot of young people talk of getting married. When people are in that period of life, they generally think that they know all there is to know about life in general, especially relationships. The truth of the matter is our 20s are really about becoming a responsible grown-up adult, in every sense of the word. My God, I sound like my parents did when I was in my early 20s. As much as I hate to admit it, they were right. A marriage is more than just deciding to get married. It's a full time job, one that could be the toughest job that you will ever have in your life. Let's examine this thing called marriage.

Eddie Mullins
Columnist

You have to admit communication is by far one of the most important factors that makes a marriage work. What I have found from interviewing a number of marriage counselors over the years is that couples work hard at communication while they are dating, but once they have been married for about two years they feel that it's time to relax. That's where the problems then start to grow and fester. Working at a marriage is a continuing job that can never be left aside. A great example is this: a marriage is like having a house plant; you have to water it and nurture it every day or it will simply, within time, die. Marriage needs constant attention for it to remain strong and healthy.

Another major problem that comes into a marriage is when the husband or wife has not identified with their personal issues before getting married. Issues that go unattended in dating will destroy you and your marriage, whether it's some type of abuse or childhood/relationship trauma. It must be dealt with, or the issues will take over your marriage, because in most cases the spouse with the issues will use that reacting anger toward the other spouse. They may or may not even know that they are reacting this way. Slowly the marriage dies.

The point is there are many things that can destroy a marriage that you need to look at. The following statistics should be motivation enough to make you work hard at a marriage. Studies have shown that 50 percent of all marriages end in divorce. Also, people who marry from a divorced family have a 70 percent chance of divorce, and people who remarry after divorcing have an 85 percent chance of getting a divorce again. Think before you react in the real life game called marriage. It's not a gamble, it's your life!

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Puritanical measures create disillusionment

Following last week's editorial, I was surprised to learn that the government's policy regarding the long-term treatment of those convicted of drug offenses is to prohibit them from taking part in future elections.

Jamie Dean
Columnist

It is bad enough that people stigmatized as criminals under the government's zealous drug crusade have been denied educational benefits, but now they will be denied the right to vote as well.

It seems as if the government is washing its hands off certain wayward members of the community, when in theory it has the responsibility to rehabilitate them.

In blacklisting drug offenders, including anyone convicted of even a minor possession charge, the government is essentially denying that such people could possibly have a valid opinion, and are therefore of no use to society.

Before you find yourself agreeing with this - consider those people who have been incidentally involved in drugs and who have made major and invaluable contributions to our world - from Freud, Huxley, Coleridge, Poe, to the Beat Generation, Bob Dylan, the Beatles, and Bob Marley, to name but a few. The world would definitely be a duller place if it wasn't for the work of these people, and yet the government would have them criminalized and stripped of their political rights.

The first priorities of any judicial system should be to punish lawbreakers: to prevent the repetition of the offense, and protect the public, but then to return the wrongdoer to society - a free and equal society which accepts that they have paid for their crimes, and so welcomes them back into the fold.

But following the introduction of this policy, offenders are being returned to the community as second-class citizens, without their constitutional right to participate in the democratic process.

Every citizen should be allowed the right to be democratically represented, regardless of their past.

America should be encouraging its young people to vote or at least take a greater interest in how the country is being run. As it is, many young people are becoming increasingly disillusioned with the pomposity of the political arena - why subscribe to a system where it seems it is impossible for you to make a difference, or where your views are not allowed to be heard?

Puritanical measures like those given under this policy will only hasten the divide between the young of this country and the government establishment.

The government has become so obsessed with the unilateral stigma of the 'D' word that it is making a joke out of the other one: democracy. Evidently it is not drug-users whose minds are clouded but those of the hypocritical politicians who forget that in a democratic country, voting should be a right, not a privilege.

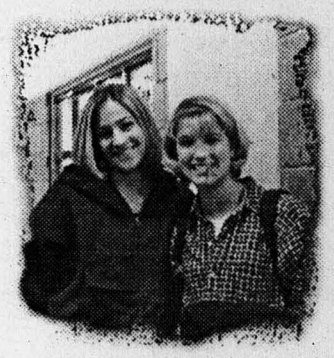
Campus Slant

What is the craziest thing you've seen done on Spring Break?



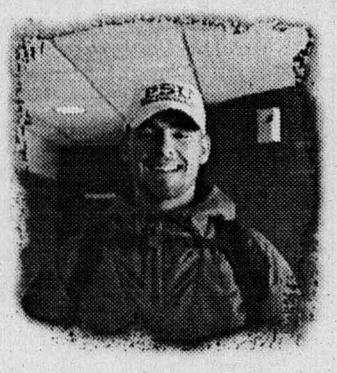
"I was too drunk to remember anything."

Carl Schenzel
Junior
Tech Ed.



"This smashed guy stripped at the top of our slide on our cruise ship and went down buck. He was reprimanded."

Holly Spaner
Freshman
Kristina Muxion
Freshman



"My buddy got busted in Fort Meyers with a fake ID, and a duffle bag full of beer. After a night in jail our baseball coach made him run the entire day."

Brent Breger
Senior
Business



"I saw chics stripping for free alcohol. I was appalled."

Carla Kimberling
Junior
Marketing Ed.



"You don't really want to know."

John Stanmer
Junior
Marketing Ed.

Next Week's Question: Teletubbies-What are their antennas for?

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News and Notes

From the Director of Financial Affairs...

The budgets were voted on this week and the groups that will receive funding for next year will receive notification and a sheet telling each group of why their request was cut and some improvements that they may be able to make in the future.

Upcoming will be a renovation of the budget process which we are optimistically looking to have online next year. Also, the process will hopefully have very little paper involved and be mostly on disk.

Keep looking for upcoming events sponsored by SSA especially this month being Black History Month and also in the coming months as well.

Josh Johnson, Director of Financial Affairs

From the Public Relations Director...

It has come to my attention that many students do not know what SSA is or what its function is. As the newly appointed Public Relations Director, my mission is to remedy that. As far as what SSA is, we are your student government. If you have a question/comment/concern with something that is going on at Stout, it is our responsibilty to address them. We work for you. We're here to help you. SSA can't do it alone, we are a STUDENT government. We need student cooperation in order to run this government.

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If you want to know more about Plan 2008, contact Tracy Benson, Director of Diversity.

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Curious about legislative activities in Wisconsin or want to know how to vote? Direct those questions to Colleen Becker, Legislative Affairs Director.

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Stout Celebrates Black History Month

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

The significance of Black History Month lies deep within not only African American History, but everyone's history.

There is great success to be marveled at by African Americans from the time of the Emancipation in 1865 until now. Black History Month is dedicated to all African Americans who have changed the fabric of our history. This is a month for all to look back throughout history to practice the significant message, no matter what ethnic background one may come from. This message is about the building of America for a land of freedom and opportunity for all people.

The birthplace of Black History Month started in the early 1900s at a building on the south side of Chicago. The building, known as the Wabasha Street YMCA, has been a home for many throughout the years. A historian by the name of Carter G. Woodson in the early 20th century coined the celebration that evolved into Black History Month.

On the UW-Stout campus, students have the opportunity to get involved with this exciting festival. This month, the Black Student Union has succeeded again in bringing students up close and personal to this historical landmark.

The Black Student Union is an organization on campus open to anyone who holds interest regardless of ethnicity. "Understanding the union is what is most important," said La Rhonda Tatum, a member of BSU and former president.

La Rhonda went on to explain that coming to the events that they sponsor is very important in getting to know what the Union is all about.

The union has put together several extraordinary events to get students involved in Black History Month. On February 11, a game of Jeopardy was held at Huff's. Students were divided into groups and asked questions about the history of African Americans. Categories such as music, back in the day (which was representative of times before The Movement), The Movement, history, and sports were included.

The poetry reading was an additional event added to the calendar for the month. Students gathered at Huff's on February 17 to share inspiring words. This was a time for all students to share poems of meaning to them with all in attendance. Poetry written by African American writers was also recommended reading.

On February 28, the union will also be sponsoring a speaker named Jamil Salaam who will talk about his time spent in Africa and its relevance to African Americans.

For those who dance, the Black Student Union is hosting their annual semi-formal ball, held Friday, February 26.

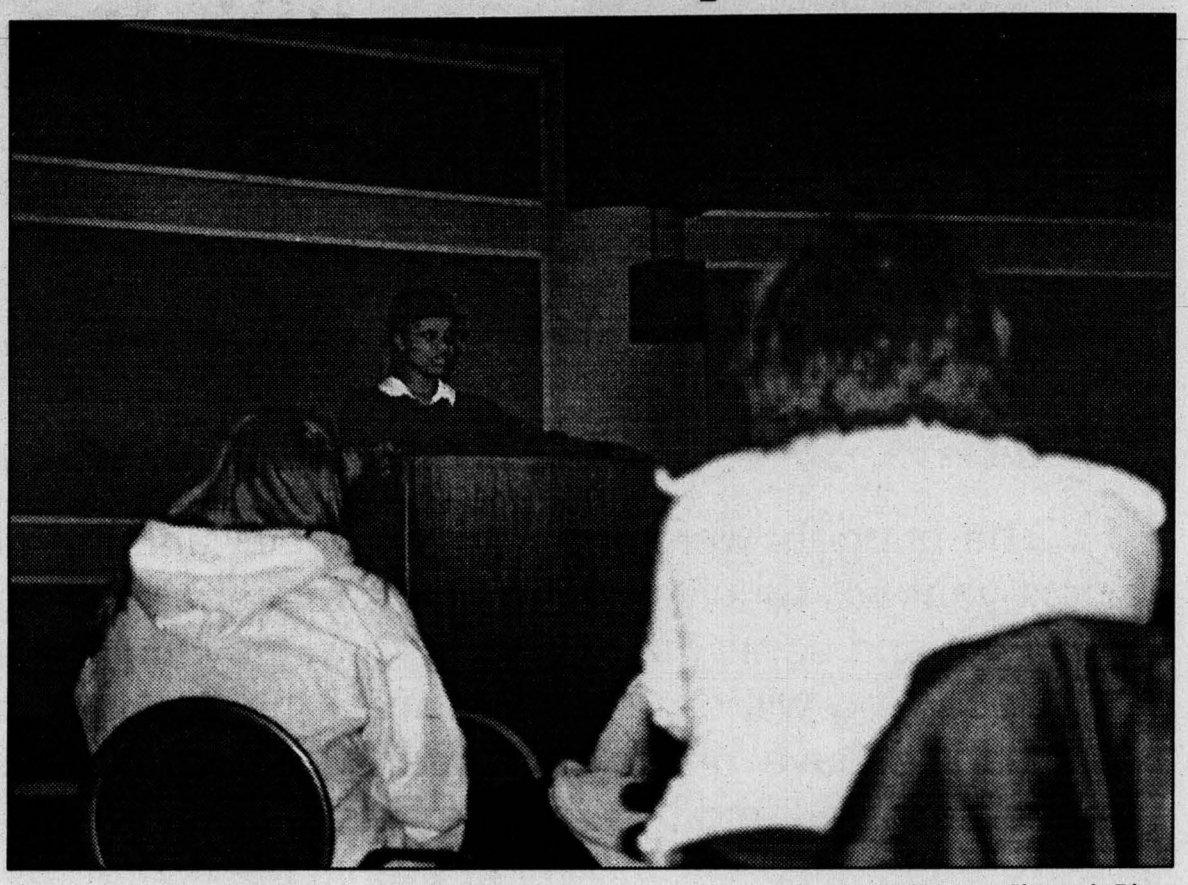


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As part of the planned events in honor of Black History Month, the poetry reading allowed those interested to read a piece of their favorite author or chance sharing their own. Prather Fowlkes volunteered to read the work of one author too timid to be in the spot light.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week, Valentine's Day in its entirety is dissected and critically analyzed.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

I love life! Valentine's Day was just great. I worked from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Serving people is so much fun, especially when you have to do it on a holiday like this one. I mean, come on people, do you know the history of this morbid day? It was named after a guy (St. Valentine) that was beheaded for matchmaking. Yeah, and people think it is romantic.

Waitressing on an average day is stressful, but when you have to do secret, special things for the love-sick couples at the tables, it makes you want to spit in their food. Flowers are delivered and stored in our cooler, needing to be placed on the right table to surprise the loved one. Special gifts and boxes of candy are brought out in plain sight while us deprived workers are forced to watch these ordinary people get two-carat diamond rings.

This brings me to the point- do you ever wonder how many couples get engaged on Valentine's Day? The number has got to be phenomenal. I would say it would be accurate to compare the ratio to the rise in suicide rates at Christmas.



Well, needless to say, I made it through. I think I had a little help from my parents. They got smart and sent me flowers the day before. This way I didn't have to hope the whole day while watching others get bouquets after bouquets. They also bought me the movie *Mulan*. Overall, I think they did very well.

Ironically, the day AFTER Valentine's Day was worse. I ended up having another episode with my heart which set me off for the rest of the day. After having my heart beat at 200 and some beats per minute for an extended period of time, all I wanted to do was sleep for the rest of the day. But alas, I had a test I hadn't studied for. My plan was to study for a couple of hours that morning. Having health problems really seems to put a damper on my academic life. The test didn't exactly go too well. Between freaking out because I thought I was going to go into cardiac arrest, and not recognizing any of the information I was being tested on, I think my chances for passing that test are less than my chances of not going out this next Thursday night.

I finally got done with classes and ended up running out to Jake's to take my friend to work. I thought as long as I was out there, I would order some pasta to go before I instructed aerobics at 7:00. My class went great (surprisingly) and I planned on making a dent in my load of homework. First, I thought to myself, I better get the bills paid that I had been avoiding for weeks.

This is when I realized my purse was nowhere in sight. All right, I thought, trying to calm myself down, it's probably just under one of the piles of clothes in my room. An hour and a half later, I wasn't so optimistic. Three hours later, I was punching my wall. My room was pandemonium. All my drawers were searched through and dangling precariously from their hinges, my closet was littered with clothes that had fallen off of their hangers, and my bed was a junk yard open to any object I could pick up and throw. I was pissed.

Somewhere along the three hours, I called Jake's and no one had seen my purse. At 11:00 that night, I begged to differ. If I had to search every nook and cranny, I was going to find that purse. I had everything in there; my six credit cards, my checkbook, two hundred dollars in cash and my cell phone. Quite a jackpot for the dishonest.

I walked into Jake's ready to battle any obstacle and I saw my purse on one of the bar stools. Thinking it some sick practical joke, I voiced a few strongly profane words. Two employees rushed over to hold me down while the third tried to explain. He had found it and knew I was coming back to pick my friend up after his shift was done. He thought he would just bring it back then. Just minutes before I walked in, he brought it back, so I wasn't home when he tried to call.

He started to say something else, but I swung before he could finish. Okay, it wasn't the most mature thing I have ever done,

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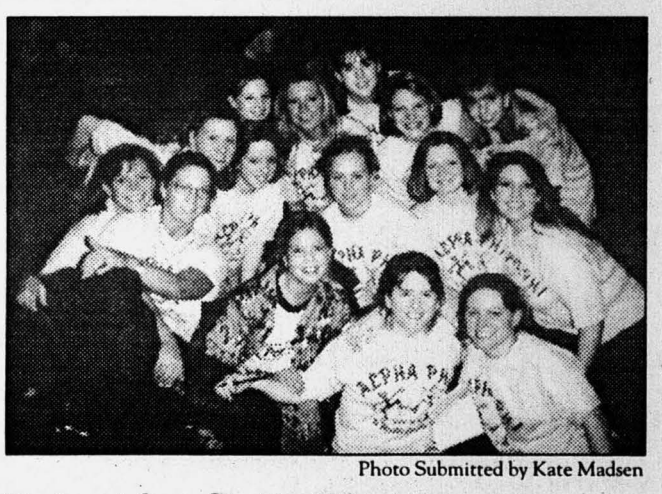


Photo Submitted by Kate Madsen

Detective Beth Winge
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Has history of: Involving innocent bystanders in their scheme to provide the winners of what they refer to as "Singled Out" with an escort (in layman's terms this is coined prostitution). The money that is obtained by this "game" is laundered to the Alpha Phi Foundation (cover-up swiss bank account).

Current reports have suggested: Members have been seen studying and have put forth great efforts in their studies. (this could account for the high cumulative GPA for last semester).

Suspicious behavior: An obvious drug-related action, each year at Parent's Weekend, members of the group can be seen teeter-toting for 48 hours straight, outside of the Student Center. Tips have been made that on the site money has changed hands. Connections have been made to increased funds in the Alpha Phi Foundation for Cardiac Care. Watch for their symbols: the teddy bear, Ivy leaf, Forget-Me-Not Flower and Lily of the Valley.

Future investigations concerning: Investigations have affirmed the group's connection with the following areas: cardiac care, research relation to women, and the Forget-Me-Not Fund (this helps Alpha Phi alumni who are facing health problems and national disasters).

Suspicious characters: Kate Madsen, Kelly Knaus, Erica Schneider, Jessi Potter and Sarah Menke. They are current leaders of this underground organization.

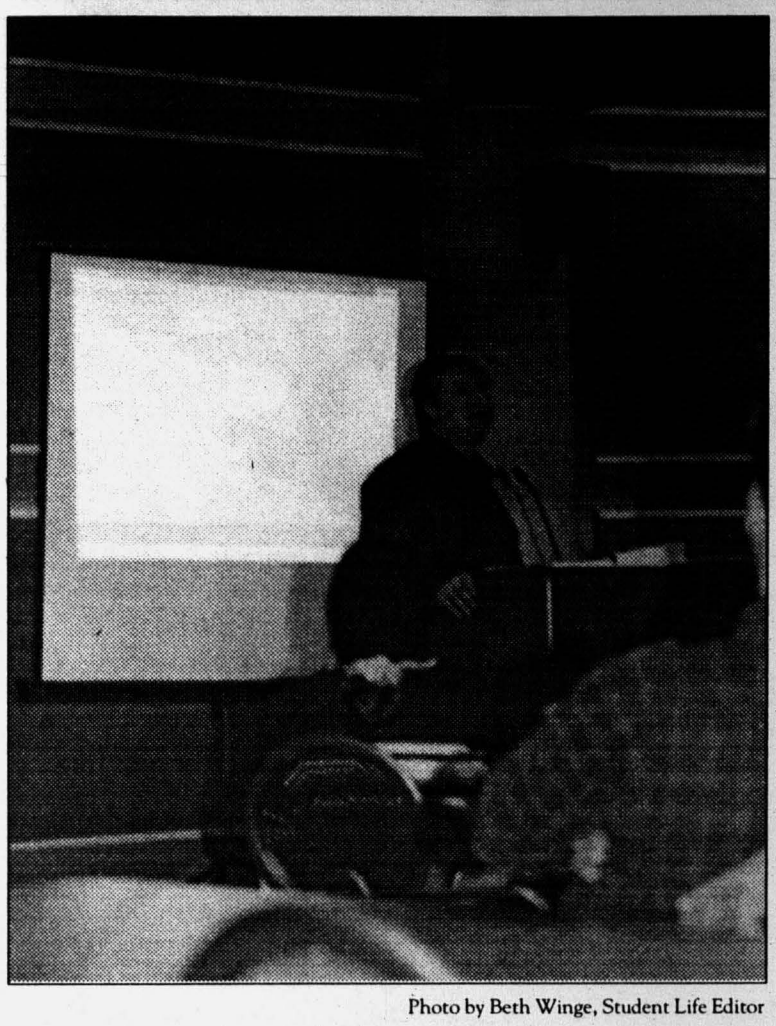


Photo by Beth Winge, Student Life Editor

Behind Alnor are slides taken by those who claim to have seen the bright lights of a UFO. Fact or phony, each slide has the authenticity which makes even the skeptic question this phenomena.

UFO cults bring their beliefs into the next millennium

■ Speaker William Alnor brings awareness to the dangers surrounding the cults and their beliefs.

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Thirty-nine followers took their lives on March 29, 1997, as part of their belief to shed their containers and ascend to the next level.

The mass suicide which society would come to know as "The Heaven's Gate Tragedy," and other UFO cult groups have been researched and documented by William Alnor, award-winning journalist/author and college instructor.

Alnor spoke at UW-Stout on Tuesday, February 16, with the purpose of warning people about new and dangerous trends in society, especially through the new millennium. As part of "New Age" thinking, "UFOlogy" entered the mainstream of ideas.

UFOs, or unidentified flying objects, have been sighted from the time of Alexander the Great. In 329 B.C., he and his soldiers were harassed by what he explained to be brightly-lit, flying objects.

From this time on, sightings have become common occurrence. Among the many; Christopher Columbus, World War II air force pilots and 50,000 bystanders in Portugal have claimed to see the saucers in the sky.

Intrigued by all the hype, Alnor wanted to study in depth about this phenomena and human behavior surrounding it. He traveled to seminars around the country, collecting information and talking to experts. Alnor also participated in channelings where aliens from other worlds were called upon. He wanted to discover why a UFO could create such a distortion in the human mind.

Alnor's purpose was clear; it was not to persuade the listener against believing in existence in other life, but, to delve into the cult groups which used this phenomena as their excuse to brainwash followers.

Most of the speech was donated to the rise and fall of the Heaven's Gate cult and the fanaticism resulting in a devastating consequence.

The cult's founders, Marshall Applewhite and Bonnie Trusdale, labeled "Bo and Peep" by the media, toured the country in search for believers. Their promise to the more than 400 people they duped was the chance to be carried away by a UFO if they had the faith.

For years, they had the 400 look for the marker which would signify the coming. Low and behold, the comet Hale-Bopp was sighted. Its companion was said to be a UFO hiding in the tail, coming to bring them home. The final scene resulted when 39 people drank poisonous Kool-Aid in order to shed the last worldly thing they possessed.

The irony of this situation, Alnor says, is the fact that, "these people were so brainwashed they didn't believe they were committing suicide." In fact, as part of the cult's beliefs, suicide was considered highly sinful.

Also mentioned were other UFO cults and additional bizarre occurrences which he believes are likely to come, being spurred by the current UFO fad.

"It's always something new coming up and you'll never know what it's really all about," Alnor sadly predicts for the future of UFOlogy.

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3. Prior to the invention of condoms, saran wrap was used as a contraceptive? T F
4. At Sam's Club, condoms can be bought in quantities as large as 400 in a single box T F
5. Now available, are over 100 flavors of condoms, ranging from chocolate to grapefruit T F

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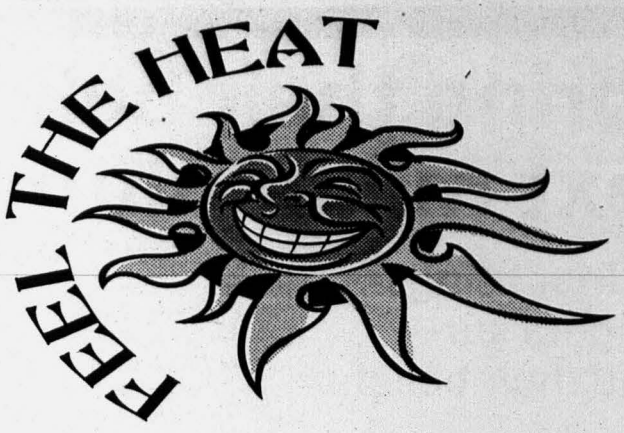
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but God did it feel good.

To top it all off, I got home that night to find out my running partner doesn't want to run. (I suppose I can't really call him a running partner when he has given me some pathetic excuse every time I want to go.) Trying to find someone to take the place of my dog, I had asked him if he ran one night while seeing him at the bars. "Oh, sure I'll run with you," he claimed.

After a thousand semi-unbelievable excuses, (one I particularly remember him saying was that he developed lassa and lost the ability to function beyond playing basketball) I finally discovered running could be a solo sport. I know this has been a theory previous to my situation, but shouldn't it just be a rule to never believe a word any guy says when he has a beer in his hand?



Spring Break Top 10

Spring Break Destinations

Cancun, Mexico
1. Beautiful beaches, no drinking age. Fairly expensive.

Mazatlan, Mexico
2. Less expensive, more student-oriented than other Mexican destinations.

Jamaica
3. Who wouldn't want to go to Jamaica? Mom and Dad would have to help pay for this one.

South Padre Island, Texas
4. Very inexpensive, close to the Mexican border.

Walt Disney World
5. Everybody loves Mickey and Minnie. Great place to go with your friends or even with family.

Daytona Beach, Florida
6. Probably the most well-known and busiest spring break destination. Good luck getting a hotel reservation.

Panama City Beach, Florida
7. Not as busy or as popular as Daytona, but has pretty beaches.

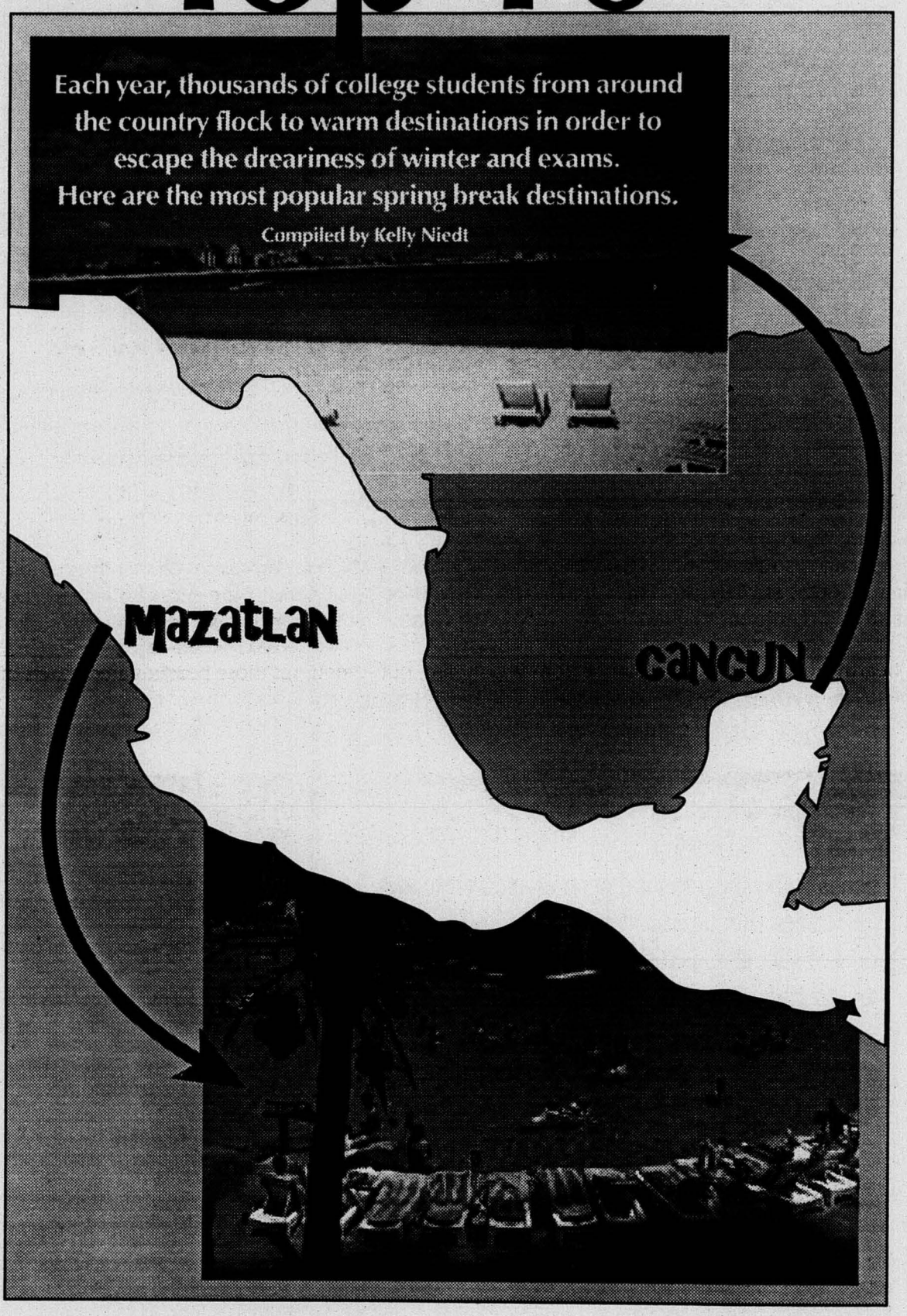
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina
8. A great alternative to Florida or Mexico. Less expensive, too.

New Orleans, Louisiana
9. If you want something more than beaches, this is the place. Great hospitality, even better- Cajun food.

Vail, Colorado
10. Although Vail doesn't have the tropical weather, it has world-famous skiing.

Each year, thousands of college students from around the country flock to warm destinations in order to escape the dreariness of winter and exams. Here are the most popular spring break destinations.

Compiled by Kelly Niedt



Top 10 Alternatives to Spring Break Vacations

Mall of America
1. Visit Knott's Camp Snoopy, Underwater World, and more.

Treasure Island Resort and Casino
2. **(near Red Wing, Minnesota)** Attractions include a huge waterf fall, a variety of famous singers, and famous comedians.

Chicago
3. Okay, so it's not New York, but it's still cool. Plus, you can take advantage of cheap airline fares or drive with friends.

Volunteer
4. Volunteering for the needy may open your eyes, and make you appreciate what you have.

See a movie
5. Try a matinee for cheaper rates.

Go tanning
6. Everyone will think you went someplace warm.

Catch up on sleep
7. Everybody can use it, right?

Plan a day trip
8. Drive to Duluth, Minneso ta; or Madison; or any place far enough away from home to make it interesting.

Smell the roses
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Brave the cold
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Beware of Scams

Don't get ripped off!

by Christine Schefers, *Staff Reporter*

At about this time you're bound to be asked this question: **"Where are you going for spring break?"**

Cancun, you may answer, the Bahamas, Mazatlan, or any other warm spot south of Menomonie.

How do you know for sure if you haven't been had by a spring break scam?

DON'T BE TOO SURE.

These are how the typical scams work. The con-artist may:

- contact you with a unsolicited phone call
- offer you a great rate to a popular vacation spot
- impress you with VIP passes to hot clubs at your vacation choice

This is what basically happens. You receive a phone call from a company selling trips for spring break. They offer you a trip to a popular spring break spot for a reasonable price. Sounds great, doesn't it? But there's only one catch—they want your credit card number and you end up getting an empty promise in return.

Craig Losquist, owner of Mazatlan Express, explains. "These companies charter their own planes. Sometimes they don't have enough planes to accomodate all of the students who are going to certain destinations, or don't have enough passengers to fill up a plane. When this happens, students may be bumped to flights to another destination they didn't want. This is an excuse the companies use to make it not look like their fault." The truth is, they don't even have the capabilities to send travelers on some of these trips or fixed schedules planned either. Losquist adds that "Some trips will advertise attractions like 'nearby beaches walking distance from your hotel', but sometimes those beaches aren't even inhabitable. They even offer VIP passes to clubs. These clubs haven't even heard of the companies supposedly giving out passes to their very own establishment. Some companies are just heartless."

Losquist and Dennis Shaw of Campus Police offer the following safe spring break tips:

- use a traveling agency when planning a trip
- check with the Better Business Bureau before purchasing a trip from a traveling agency
- know your flight schedule and the location of your hotel
- protect valuables you take along with you
- don't take open drinks from strangers and watch out for roofies, the date rape drug
- additional travel safety tips are located on the Web at www.uwstout.edu/police

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Castlevania returns in a 64-bit "upgrade"

Dracula has risen once more, and fortunately, you're on the scene once again to save the world from an unbearable wrath.

It's true that it's taken awhile, but Castlevania for the Nintendo 64 system is finally here. After being in development for a good two years, this medieval classic was finally released in early January.

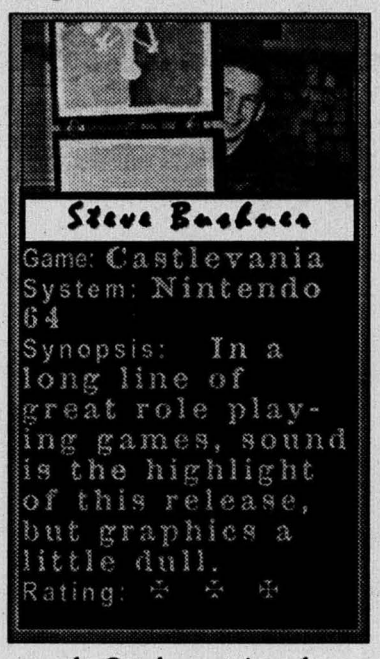
An interesting twist leaves this game apart from any other you may have experience with. Depending on which role-playing character the gamer chooses, the game's quest will be slightly different. In fact, in an attempt to entice gamers to play the entire release with both Schneider and Carrie (the game's focus characters), the rumor mill has it that the ending is different for each of the characters.

Game play and structure are very reminiscent of the original 8-bit Nintendo game. If you're a Castlevania historian you know the drill: plenty of platform jumping, candle-whipping, undead killing, and so on. Many scenes, despite the new 3-D look that has accompanied many of Nintendo's "upgrades" from 8-bit to 64-bit, would feel right at home in the original series made for the older system.

One area that admittedly needs a little more work, and is a turn off for the gamer, is the uncomfortable camera angles. The angles often jump around and more than occasionally don't focus on your area of play. This giant drawback unfortunately causes its fair share of accidental death mishaps.

The graphics for the release are a hot and cold story. The bosses are detailed enough to put a fair amount of fright into you. The game also replicates textures exceptionally well. To contrast this, many of the game's playing scenes are muddy and unclear, radiating an ominous, uncomfortable feeling. Overall, mainly because of the bosses great detail, Castlevania's graphics are above average.

If there is one feature that sells the game, however, it is the release's sound. Castlevania's auditory aspects are superb, pleasing the most critical of video game players. From the heart-pounding rain to the ear-wrenching screeching sound of gates and elevators, the sound effects in this game are outstanding. This is definitely a game you can get lost in, utilizing a surround sound atmosphere.



The important thing to keep in mind is that Konami, the game's mastermind creator, didn't mess up its more than 10-year-old gaming series. What a tragedy it would have been if the company failed to follow up on what was one of the original 8-bit's top games. Whether or not the move to full 3-D was smart or not, Castlevania for the Nintendo 64 is fun to play; and that's the aspect that counts.

Production was slow on the 10-year-old gaming series, but worth the game that was produced. For an overall rating, I will leaveth the Castlevania 64 a three.

So pull up a chair, crank up the volume, and enjoy the latest that Nintendo has to offer.



Photo courtesy of Nintendo Corporation

Killer outfit; too bad the night life sucks. As Schneider (or Carrie) it is your job to once again rid the world of the undead. Those who are accustomed to previous Castlevania games should have no problem adapting to the 64 bit version.

Winner and Loser of the week!

AND THE WINNER IS...

One of the hottest restaurants around, **Buca di bepo** has won rave reviews from nearly anyone whose dined there. A heavily Italian resturant, Buca does everything big. It is suggested that groups of eight be used to attack a platter of food. For an added twist, patrons may dine in the kitchen, among hustling chefs busying themselves with orders. The resturant is placed in three spots in the Twin Cities, closest to us in St. Paul. Not too pricey (the average dinner check is $15) the restaurant promises tons of fun. The St. Paul resturant can be reached at (651) 772-4388.

BUT ON THE LOSING END...

Just in time for the spring flu and cold season, The **University Health Center** seems to have taken a mental hiatus. Talking with a couple of friends of mine, the Health Center seems to have put concerns of the students on the back burner. One was told not to come to the Center, for fear of contaminating those there. Another was offered a chance to "diagnose" themselves. Are you kidding me?!? We're all students here, and at that, not medical students. You're getting paid to diagnose people, and hopefully (for the majority of Stout students) we never will.



Horoscopes

For the week of Feb. 18, 1999 through Feb. 25, 1999

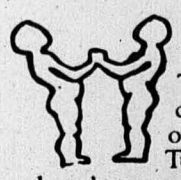
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19)
This week you'll finally see how silly you look wearing underwear on your head.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
You will overdose on leftover Valentine's Day sugar hearts while skipping around singing *I'm Too Sexy*. Many will run away horrified.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Today you'll be determined to seek out the founder of Tupperware parties and won't stop until you've got them cornered in a dark alley.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
Today you'll find yourself in class unprepared for an extremely challenging exam. There are a few simple tricks to get out of the situation. During the test, shout out "I'm Batman" repeatedly. You'll soon be escorted out of the building.



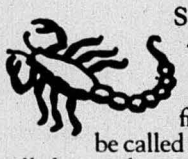
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)
The funny farm is going to call for you again this week.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
Today you will deliberately annoy people by standing too close to them while waiting in line. Tomorrow start standing slightly too far away.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)
A small Cajun man that does not speak English will have your car towed because it "looked funny." Later, you'll find out he was misquoted and only meant to say he thought YOU looked funny.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)
You are about to start a band, with friends, which will be called Rainy Daze. You will choose the name only because one person in your group simply doesn't care for Clenched Buttocks as a band name.



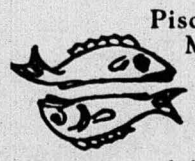
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
Today, assa joke, you willa make fun ofa how somebody talk. You willa get beata up.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Beware of goonies today.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Today you will walk into the Micheels computer lab with your construction helmet still on without knowing it. You'll wonder why everyone has a dumb smirk on their face, but you'll just think a gas pipe broke again.

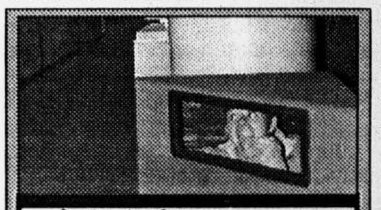


Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
Today you will ignore the warning label on the mouthwash bottle and will attempt to yodel while gargling. That will be a mistake.



Biblical tale delights at the Mabel Tainter

The Menomonie Theatre Guild will be performing "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat," the play that has gained acclaim from coast to coast, this weekend and the next at the Mable Tainter Memorial Theatre.



Phil Skretvedt

The Show: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat
Cost: $9 (student rate)
Production dates: Feb. 19-21 and Feb. 25-28
Show times: 8:00 p.m. all dates except the 28th, with 2 p.m. matinees on Sundays and the 27th.
Ticket Info: call 235-0001
Rating: ✣ ✣ ✣ ✣ ✣



Photo courtesy of www.joeamazing.com

Thanks to the efforts of the Monomonie Theatre Guild, the musical, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat will be playing in the Mable Tainter Memorial Theatre late this month. The biblical tale, as retoled by Andrew Lloyd Webber, involves the story of a 12 brothers who gang up on their youngest brother and his rise to overcome their jeleousy.

I was one of the privileged few who got to see this performance on the show's dress rehearsal night. Honestly, I wasn't expecting much as I walked in, as this was only a dress rehearsal, but by the time I had left the theatre, I was blown away by the play's appearence.

If you're not familiar with "Joseph," the play is an Andrew Lloyd Weber musical running about two hours long, fairly short for most musicals. The story is based on the biblical tale of Joseph and his 12 jealous brothers.

Now at this point I know what you're thinking, because I thought the same thing, "Why in the world do I want to pay money so that I can sit through a two hour long church service?"

Those who had come to the play expecting a church service were quickly turned around, as the play is more of a rags to riches, fairy tale type story. Something that you could easily see Disney making into a feature length cartoon.

Another negative connotation that the play unfortunately carries with it is its catagorization as a musical. The play is a winner because it overcomes these initial stereotypes, while telling a heart-warming tale. Most viewers will agree that "Joseph" is not an experience to be missed.

From the beginning on I felt as if I was watching a group of touring professionals. The set and costuming looked as if they were created for Broadway, and worked really well for the limited stage space the actors and actresses had to work with. This was compounded by the singing talent displayed on stage, being of a quality rivaling a touring show. I was awestruck and amazed that these people were all from the Menomonie community. Even the children's choir was in perfect pitch, and not to take away from the other elements of the production, but I'd have to say that they were my favorite part of the whole play. There's just something so pure and innocent in the sound of a large group of children singing; it gave me goosebumps.

All in all, I would strongly encourage anyone to go see this play, that is, if the tickets haven't been sold out already.

Its only down point was the extremely long ending. Just when you thought it was safe to give your standing ovation, they began singing again. Yet it's a very upbeat play that left me with a good feeling, not to mention a head full of Broadway tunes.

In summary, it's a very impressive play, definitely well worth the money. Congratulations "Joseph," you get my first ever five star rating!! That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.

Calling all Thespians!

The Chippewa Valley Theatre Guild is holding auditions for its April production of Meet Me in St. Louis

Auditions are Feb. 24 and 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Eau Claire Parks and Recreation Community Center (1300 First Ave., Eau Claire)

Total cast: 32!

Auditioners are asked to prepare a short vocal selection as most roles require singing.

Hope to see you there!



Acoustic Musician appearing in Menomonie

Andy Young

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Gymnasts making the best of losses

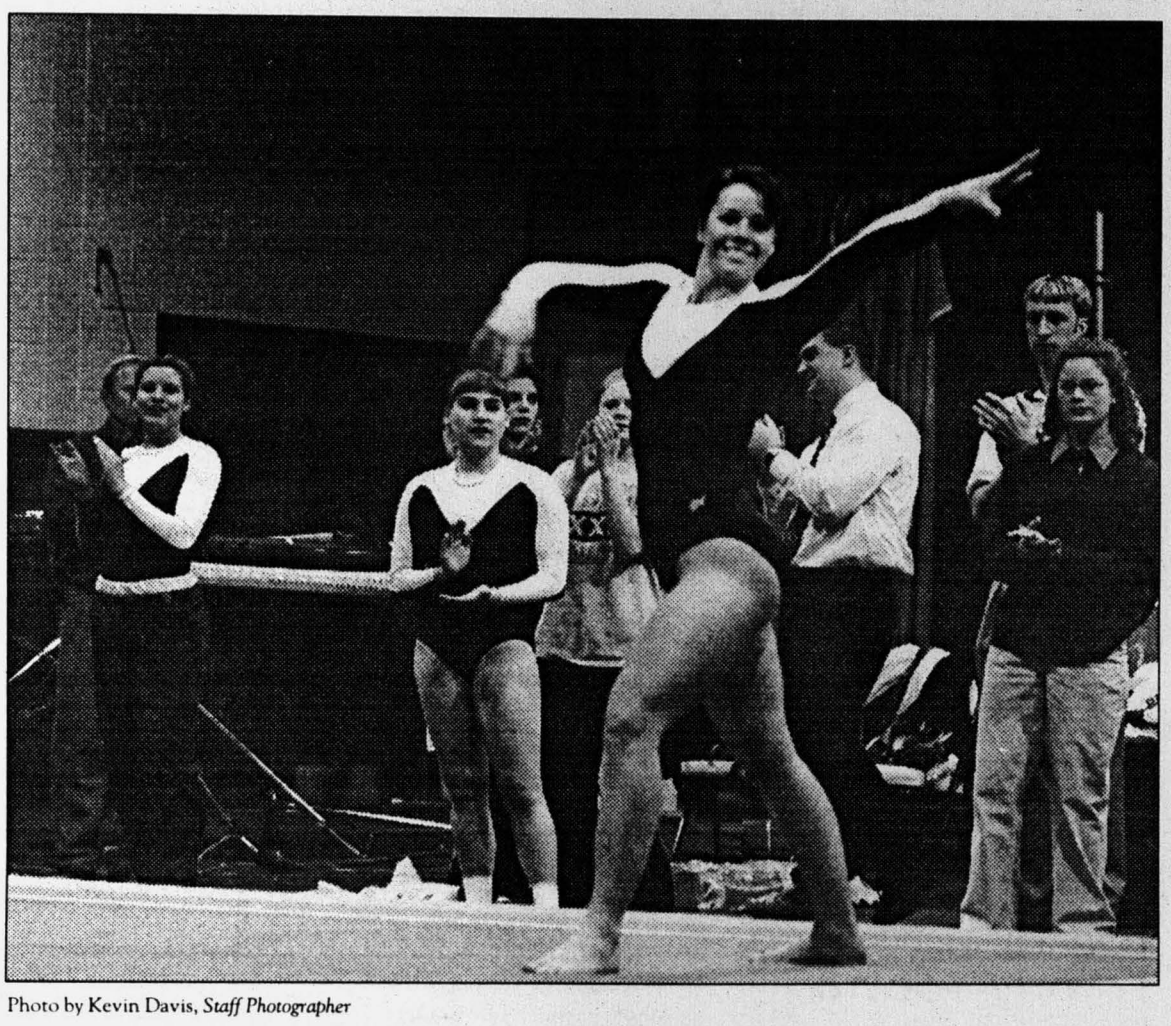


Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

Brenna Jones finishes a spectacular floor exercise which earned her a score of 9.0 for the second meet in a row. Despite her efforts, the team as a whole finished sixth of six teams at the Annual Gershon/McLellan Invitational in La Crosse.

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

Blue Devil Gymnastics has suffered through their share of struggles this season. A new coach and plenty of heart from the young team have combined to revive the program after losing several experienced gymnasts from last season.

Barely managing to fill the roster on all events, the team has battled against national power Hamline University and local favorites UW-La Crosse, UW-Oshkosh and UW-River Falls. With a sqaud of only six girls, not to mention inevitable injuries that have plagued the small team, they have often found themselves drifting in last place. All of this, however, cannot take away from the personal achievements of the team, marked by steadily improving team scores and career bests.

Feb. 6

Brenna Jones scored a 9.0 on the floor exercise for her second consecutive meet, but the depleted Blue Devil Gymnastics Team finished sixth of six teams at the 18th Annual Gershon/McLellan Invitational at UW-La Crosse.

Jones had scored a season high 9.1 on the floor exercise last week and continued to push for a spot at the national tournament as a specialist.

The Blue Devils competed with only three athletes in the event, scoring an overall team score of 75.80.

Stout faltered on the vault with Jones placing 28th with an 8.25, Andrea Hassel finishing 31st and Scarlett Ramey close behind in the 33rd spot.

Jones scored a 7.45 on the uneven bars to finish 22nd and Ramey a 5.30 to place 32nd. On the beam, Jones hit a 7.65 to place 25th and Hassel a 7.10 to place 30th.

Jones finished 13th on the floor, with Hassel and Ramey finishing 26th and 33rd, respectively.

Feb. 12

Powered by a strong effort on the vault and the floor exercise, the UW-Stout gymnastics team cracked the 100-point mark for the first time this season in a loss to UW-Whitewater, 135.30-101.65.

As a team, the Blue Devils scored season bests on both the vault and the floor and several performers had season and career-highs.

Hassel hit an 8.75 to place fourth on the floor and finished second on the balance beam with an 8.70, both career-bests.

Brenna Jones took top honors on the floor, hitting a 9.05 and was fourth on the vault with a season-best 8.75 and finished in a three-way tie for third on the uneven bars with a season-high 7.50.

Lauren Seebert, coming off an ankle injury, hit a career-best 8.35 on the vault. Ramey hit a career-best 7.65 on the floor, as did Alissa Martin with a 6.45.

The Blue Devils return to action Wednesday, Feb. 17 when they travel to UW-Eau Claire. Stout will also be in town to host the WIAC Championships on Friday, Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. This will be the last chance to support the Blue Devils in their home gym.

Men dominate own Invitational

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

The UW-Stout Men's Track Team used nine first place finishes and some solid depth to easily run away with their own Warren Bowlus Invitational last Friday at Johnson Fieldhouse.

The Blue Devils scored 263.50 points, with their nearest competitor, the University of Minnesota-Duluth, more than 100 points buried in the dust.

John Hanson ran the fastest 400-meter ever for a Stout freshman, nipping teammate Troy Wyatt by less than a quarter of a second, finishing in 51.24.

The Blue Devils also got first place finishes from a string of reliable veterans. Billy Busch finished the 600-meter dash in 1:22.94. Eric Hanson clocked in at the one-mile marker with a time of 4:21.02, beating teammate Tim Hamill by four seconds. Jesse Hunter mastered the 200-hurdles in 25.70 seconds. The 4x400 relay team, consisting of John Hanson, Troy Wyatt, Dustin Green, and Josh Johnson took first place honors with a 3:28.19 effort. Aaron Scheffer soared over the competition with a 6' 2.25" mark in the high jump and Corey O'Donnell rounded out the scoring with a first place finish in the 35-lb. weight event.

Two freshman contenders also gained first place scores to boost Stout's overall finish beyond the reach of the other nine competing schools. Clint Latz captured first place in the 3000-meter with a time of nine minutes, eight seconds and Eric Moe planted himself in top honors with a 43' 3.25" in the triple jump.

After earning an undeniable win at their own invitational, Stout athletes had even more to celebrate. Sophomore Jamie Buchholtz guaranteed himself a trip to the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships by clearing 15-feet, 8.25-inches to place second in the pole vault.

Men's Track and Field Team will explode from the starting blocks at 11 a.m. this Saturday at the UW-Stevens Point Invitational.

While not posting quite as many first place finishes, the Women's Track and Field Team glided into a second place finish overall on the tail of a strong effort by their distance runners.

The Blue Devils cause was assisted by wins from Katy Olsen in the one-mile run, Katie Jacobson in the 3000-meter, and Jen Wucherer in the 5000-meter. Wucherer buried the field, finishing more than a minute ahead of the second place competitor.

Katie Kuffel also pulled away with an admirable finish, placing second in the 1000-meter run.

Michelle Abramczak racked up two second place finishes in the hurdle events, clocking a 9.27 in the 55-hurdles and a 30.98 in the 200-hurdles, getting edged out of a first place finish by a mere .21 seconds.

The Stout women finished the day with an overall score of 129.50 behind UW-River Falls, who dominated the meet with 166 points. Close on the tail of the Blue Devils was the University of Minnesota-Duluth, who landed third place three points behind Stout. Other UW competitors included UW-Eau Claire in fourth with 106.5 points and UW-Superior in a 31-point tie with Concordia University-St. Paul.

The Blue Devil Women will travel to the UW-River Falls Invitational Friday for a 6:30 p.m. start.

Basketball nearing season end

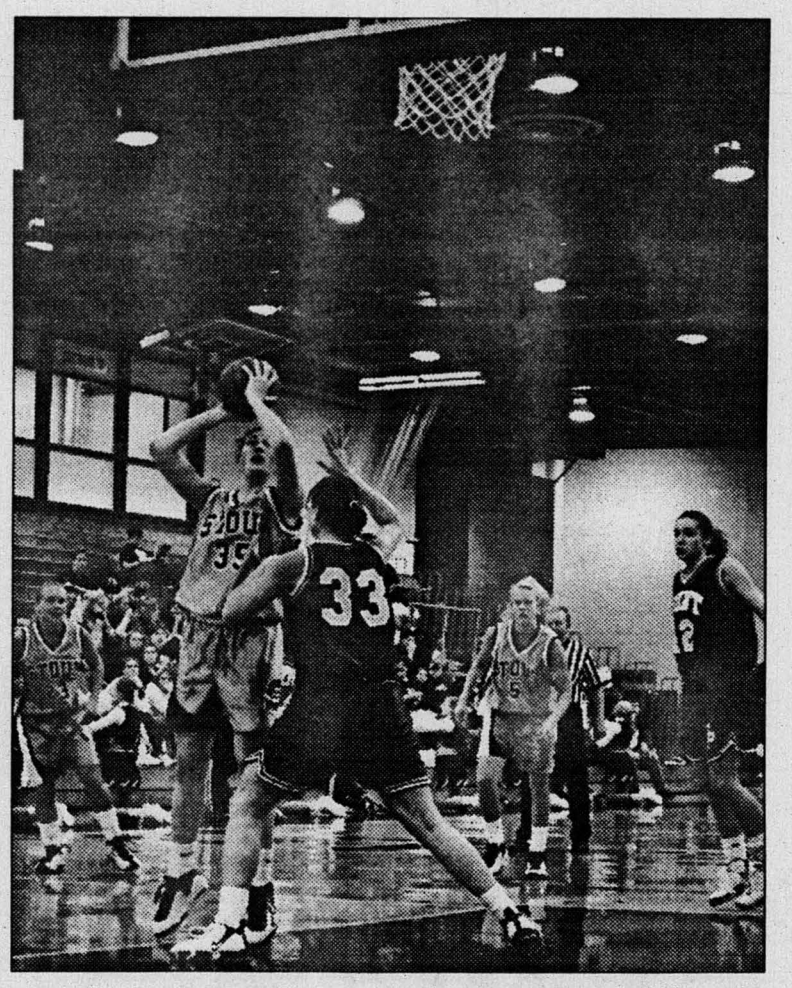


Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

Tina Gillen fights her way to the hoop past a UW-Stevens Point defender. The Women's Team will be playing their last home game Tuesday at 7 p.m. to kick off WIAC Tournament play.

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

Coming off of a roaring victory against UW-Oshkosh, the Women's Basketball Team was all a buzz about the tough rematch against UW-Stevens Point on Wednesday.

Rachel Traynor played a key role in last Wednesday's game, contributing a total of 18 points on the day with nine of them coming in the final six minutes, enough to post another check in Stout's win column with a final score of 77-64. This effort epitomized Coach Mark Thomas' goal of seeing his team play every second of the game until the final whistle blows.

Unfortunately for Stout, their days were numbered. UW-Superior proved to be an unexpected stumbling block on the way to the WIAC playoffs. This comes in spite of an outstanding effort by Traynor, who threw down a total of 31 points before the final buzzer sounded. The final score, 84-82, is almost enough to break a fan's heart. Adding insult to injury is the fact that the final two points were free throws registered with just seconds left on the clock.

On the optimistic side, the loss is little more than a nuisance as the first round of the WIAC play-off picture has already taken shape.

The Men's Team faired better against the Pointers, tacking on a solid victory with a final score of 69-57. Ben Kuepers turned in an excellent performance scoring a total of 18 points on the day, but key to the victory was the support of three other Stout players finishing in double digits.

Also important was free throw conversion. Making a total of 23 of 29 shots from the line, the Blue Devils used their advantage to help compensate for their lack of three-point offense. The victory helped mitigate the effects of the disappointing loss to Stevens Point suffered last Wednesday. Wednesday's final score of 77-66 only further muddied the already dark waters leading into the playoffs. The victory Saturday served to put some of that water under the bridge.

The final regular season games of the season for both teams have yet to be played. However WIAC play-off games are scheduled to start for the Men's Team on Monday, Feb. 22 at an opponent site yet to be determined. The Women's Team will start their run on Tuesday, Feb. 23 here against UW-Stevens Point. As always, fan turnout is at a premium, and your support will be appreciated.

Outlook good for Men's Hockey at NCHA Playoffs

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

While some unusually mild weather and mid-March plans of sun and insanity have confined most of us to crowded weight rooms and claustrophobic tanning beds, a few things around here should still remind us that winter is not yet gone.

Despite a sudden flash of blizzard-reminiscent conditions late last week, the sight and sounds of metal hitting the ice is a familiar comfort in sustaining the last stretch to spring. The Men's Hockey Team not only refreshes the Mid-western love of winter in all, they give fans something to look forward to in the NCHA playoffs next weekend.

Feb. 5

The UW-Stout Hockey Team used a 6-1 win over Lake Forest College to jump two spots in NCHA standings at the Dunn County Ice Arena.

The Blue Devils got goals from six different players scattered throughout all of the periods and a strong defensive effort for the win to leap into sixth place in the standings, past Lake Forest and Eau Claire, which lost 7-4 to UW-Stevens Point over the weekend.

Stout goalie Ben Plester put a vise grip on the nets and the Blue Devil defense allowed only 11 shots on goal in the last two periods.

As the Stout defense was clamping down, Plester stopped 20 shots on goal, while the Stout offense was blistering the Forester goalie with 54 shots.

Feb. 6

With a 6-0 offensive explosion over Lake Forest, UW-Stout ran their winning streak to four games, their longest streak in two years.

The Blue Devils opened up the game with three quick yet painful goals, then added a solo shot in the second period and two more in the third.

Todd Sether picked up his second shutout of the season, turning away 24 shots.

Feb. 12

After a scoreless first period, UW-Superior exploded for six goals in the second period and went on to down UW-Stout, 9-2, in a NCHA battle in Superior.

The Yellowjackets shelled Blue Devil goalie Ben Plester with 24 shots in the second period. By contrast, the Blue Devil offense got off a feeble eight shots.

Superior out-shot Stout, 48-27 in the game. Plester finished with 31 saves, while Todd Sether came on in relief to stop 11.

Feb. 13

UW-Stout produced three goals and got a stellar performance in the net by Todd Sether to hand UW-Superior a 3-2 defeat in Superior.

The win marked the first time in 16 years that Stout has downed the Yellowjackets on the ice. Since Stout's Hockey Program was reinstated in 1996, Superior has won seven straight contests against Stout.

After Superior's brief moment in the winner's circle, it was time for Stout's offensive fireworks. Graham Lomen wasted little time in the second period, getting an unassisted goal 35 seconds into the period.

Stout will participate in the first round of the NCHA playoffs next weekend and will likely travel to UW-Stevens Point this Friday and Saturday to face off in a best-of-three series.

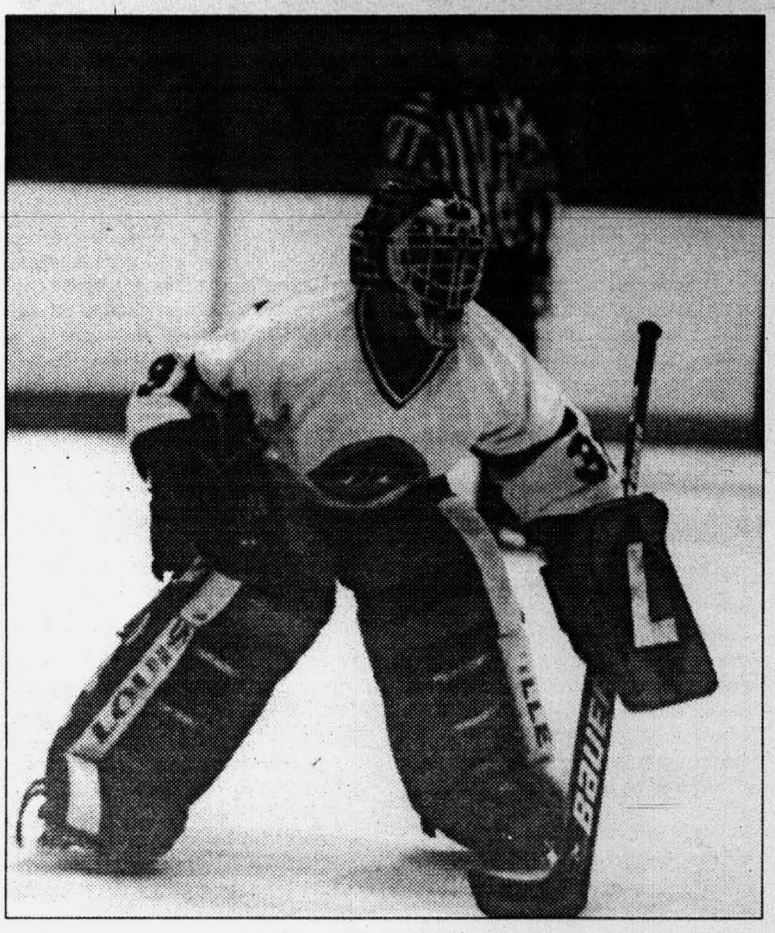


Photo submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Blue Devil goalie Ben Plester was a key element to Stout's success against Lake Forest, taking demand of his terriotory around the net. The wins boosted Stout's NCHA standings.

Former UW-Stout Coach Sten Pierce dies Sunday

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Former UW-Stout Football, Wrestling and Golf Coach Sten Pierce died at the River Falls Hospital in River Falls this past Sunday after a Valentine's Day dinner with his wife, Jan.

Pierce, 61, came to Stout in 1965 as the head wrestling coach and an assistant football coach. During Pierce's tenure as wrestling coach from 1965-72, the Blue Devils won two conference championships, produced 10 conference champions, five national qualifiers and five All-Americas.

Pierce was named the WSUC & NAIA District 14 wrestling coach of the year in 1966 and 1970. Pierce also helped in the development of John Peterson, who went on to win an Olympic gold and silver medal.

Pierce took over as head football coach in 1970, coaching the Blue Devils until 1976 where he produced two All-America and five first team all-conference picks.

Pierce picked up the golf clubs in the mid-1980s, coaching the Blue Devils to three consecutive conference titles in 1987, 88, and 89, and NAIA District 14 titles in 1988 and 89.

Pierce retired as a full-time professor in the UW-Stout Physical Education Department in 1995, but continued to teach on a part-time basis up until the time of his death. A memorial service is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 18 at 2 p.m. at Our Savior's Church in Menomonie. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17 at the Olson Funeral Home in Menomonie.

Pierce is survived by his wife, four sons, Kirby, Troy, Eric, and Brady, and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be designated to the Menomonie Lions Club.

THE Agenda

UW-Stout's Upcoming Sports Schedule

Men's Hockey
Feb. 19-20 TBA
NCHA Playoffs

Gymnastics
Feb. 26 7 p.m.
WIAC Championships

Women's Basketball
Feb. 23 7 p.m.
vs. UW-Stevens Point

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Interviews on February 24th

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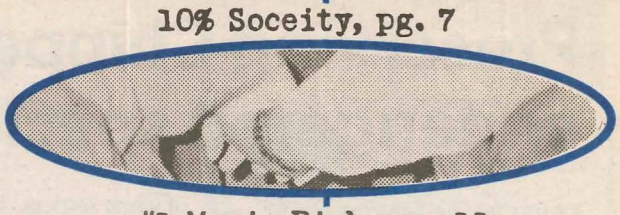
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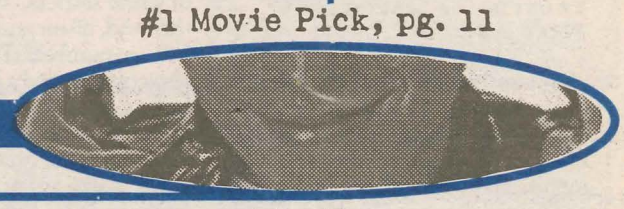
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Strange burglaries stump residents

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

UW-Stout students who reside off campus may become more cautious about locking doors, even when at home.

Although campus and city police believe the number of reported break-ins to be at the usual norm, there may have been incidents where students have not reported minor thefts from their houses.

The Kappa Lambda Beta Fraternity house had two incidents of burglaries first semester. The first time they were only missing food items and a birthday cake was destroyed. A bear skin rug was taken on another occasion. Instead of reporting the thefts, the landlord installed automatic locks.

Another off campus renter, Kelly Weiler, describes a pitiful theft that occurred after bar hours. Pizzas were stolen out of the freezer while tenants were asleep. All the members of the house adamantly refuse that they raided the freezer. Instead of reporting the missing pizzas, they laughed it off and locked their door.

A more recent and disturbing burglary occurred last Monday. Six residents were jolted from sleep in the early morning hours because of sounding smoke detectors.

They discovered two trash cans set on fire, one of them containing a backpack. After looking around, they noticed an odd assortment of items missing. Some of the things missing were food, photographs, and other items of minimal value.

The investigating officer, Detective Mason, feels that the circumstances of this crime appear suspicious. When questioned on possible suspects he said, "I will not comment because there is a long-standing case in progress."

Brian Rieckman, a resident of the latest house to be victimized, thinks that it doesn't seem possible that a total stranger would enter a house when the chance of discovery was so high. Despite the door being unlocked, the stolen goods were hardly worth arson and burglary charges. Not wanting to jeopardize a possible case, he was only willing to say, "Two residents living here have lawyers."

To protect homes from outside theft, police insist that keeping doors and windows secure will decrease the possibility of break-ins dramatically. Getting locks changed when moving to a new place insures that old tenants will not have access to houses. Also, spare keys should be kept track of and not given out. A well-lit yard and closed blinds or curtains are helpful.

Learning from past mistakes, Chad Borenz, a resident of a house broken into, comments with a laugh, "Now we lock our doors, even when everyone is home."

Arlo Leach solo performance

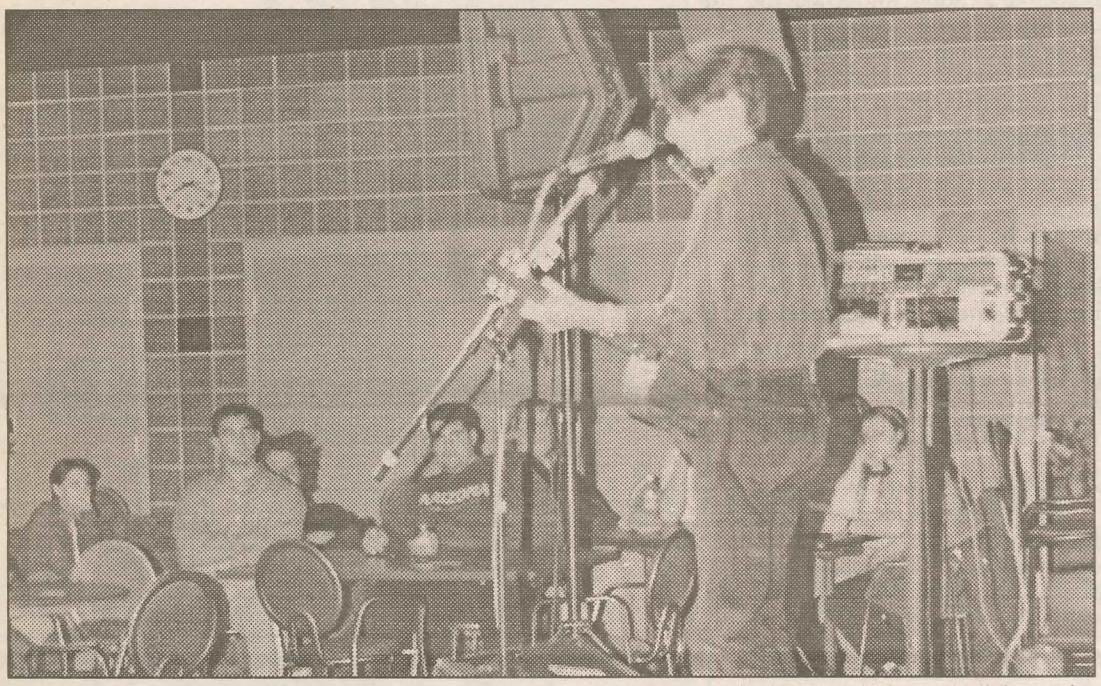


Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

FYE brought singer Arlo Leach to campus Tuesday. Students gathered at Huff's on to listen to Leach's original blend of acoustic rock/folk music.

Gas leak scare

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Emergency dispatchers received a call Monday at 9:53 a.m. from an unknown UW-Stout official, reporting black smoke spreading through the Applied Arts Building on campus. The building was evacuated and students anf faculty stood in the mall area, waiting for the fire department to arrive.

Morning classes were canceled until the fire department determined the building was again safe, approximately 11:30 a.m. The black smoke was actually a combination of Freon 12, a deadly but invisible gas, and blackish oil, coming through the air conditioning system. The gas did not spread beyond the Applied Arts building and was combated by immediately opening all doors and windows and running fans.

The culprit is thought to be a faulty or old pressure release valve on the air conditioning system. The fire department is unsure just how much was released into the air during the accident, but they reported no physical injuries among the crowd.

The university is not being faulted for the situation. The valves, designed to release excess pressure, sometimes wear out or get corroded, said Captain Daniel Hanson of the Menomonie Fire Department. "I don't know if it was an act of God or what; it just happened."

While the incident didn't result in injury, it was apparent to some that the situation was not prepared for well. According to one student, who wished not to be identified, administrators seemed confused as to whether the 911 call had been placed, assuming that someone else had done it. Emergency calls must be made in these situations, as the building alarms are not connected to community resources such as fire and police.

Education costs now tax deductible

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

With tax season underway, a few programs are being offered by the government that every post secondary student should know about.

The Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 added section 25A to the Internal Revenue Code to provide the Hope Scholarship Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit. In general, the Hope Scholarship Credit and the Lifetime Learning Credit allow taxpayers to claim a non-refundable credit against their federal income taxes for certain post secondary educational expenses.

The Hope Scholarship functions in tandem with the Lifetime Learning Credit. In any given year, taxpayers can claim one or the other, but can never claim both with respect to the same student in the same tax year. It is possible, however, to claim the Hope Scholarship for one student and the Lifetime Learning credit for another student, all in the same year. This tax refund can be claimed by either the post secondary student's spouse, dependents, or themselves.

The Hope Scholarship Credit is awarded to students who are enrolled full-time, or half-time and working full-time, for at least one academic period during the taxable year. The proposed regulations provide that before the year 2002 a total of $1,500 can be awarded to students, therefore only allowing taxpayers to apply for this refund twice. This totals 100 percent of the first $1,000 of the qualified tuition and related expenses paid during the taxable year, plus 50 percent of the next $1,000 of such expenses paid with respect to that student.

There is a minor loop hole with the Hope Scholarship. Students should make sure that if they're going to be paying college tuition that they're also eligible to claim the exemption. The Hope Scholarship is unavailable unless the student is able to be claimed as an exemption.

The Lifetime Learning Credit is only awarded once per taxpayer per year. One benefit to this credit is that it is allowed for an unlimited amount of years, as long as the student is continuing their education. It allows a credit of 20 percent for the first $5,000 of tuition or fees for undergraduate, graduate, and continuing education.

Art gets back to its roots

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

As we reach the new millennium, more of today's technology is revolving around computers and machinery. The art industry has seen its own changes, becoming more computer-based. Through new workshops, the brainchild of one UW-Stout student, artists will be able to utilize different avenues in the art world and find ways to present their material.

A portion of the Graphic Design courses and projects at Stout are done with the help and enhancement of the computer world. A group of art students on campus believes art work should be created through images portrayed in their mind and then transferred to their hands with the use of colored pencils, paints, and pens.

Mike Campbell has been at the forefront of creating ways to show students different tools used in the graphic design industry and eliminate the usage of computers. Campbell introduced the idea of a Street Poster contest early this semester, which will allow students to learn more through workshops that are based on German ideas, and then present their work to Stout. The workshops held on campus allow students to get back to their original roots of graphic design and studio arts. The workshops will open new options and outlets to present art work, not just in portfolios.

Workshops will help students prepare effectively for the Street Poster contest where through the medium of silk screen, students can create inexpensive, useful, and effective promotional posters for new local bands. "It gets down to having fun and doing what you love, if that'd be music or art, and this is the way to do it," Campbell said.

Students need to create a promotional poster for a new local band, DJ, or musician who has a demo tape or one CD. The Street Poster contest will be held on April 22 and a prize will be awarded to the winner. All work judged will be put on display at the Acoustic Cafe here in Menomonie. Local bands involved with the contest already are Fuzzbuster, a local rock' n ' roll band, and Mojo, a funky blues band.

With the integration of the music and the art scenes, these workshops and contest will allow students to have the opportunity to display work outside their regular curriculum.

Please see Art on page 2

check out the details about our spring break photo contest on page 8

Preserving Chippewa's endangered species

by Christine Schefers
Staff Reporter

Randy Hoffman from the Department of Natural Resources Bureau of Endangered Resources came to UW-Stout last Monday to speak to members of Greensense and other ecologically concerned students and citizens about the Lower Chippewa River Study. The purpose of the study is to preserve and acquire natural prairie lands in the lower Chippewa River area in order to protect the many endangered species living in those regions.

The lower Chippewa River runs downstream from Menomonie all the way to the confluence of the Mississippi. The Chippewa is home to 70 percent of all the state's fish including the northern pike, paddlefish, and the blue sucker, the population of which being the densest in Wisconsin. Nearly 50 percent of all plant species native to Wisconsin are found in the study area. Another interesting statistic is that in a count done in July the Lower Chippewa River Study Area was found to have as many as 110 rare species, a number larger than of other Wisconsin county areas. A more recent count amounted up to 125 rare species. Among its rare and endangered species are the yellow throated blandings turtle and a specie of mayfly found only in Wisconsin.

The reason why these animals are becoming ever more endangered is because of the shrinking size of natural prairie land that these critters call their home. Natural land is defined as land that has been unmanipulated by people since the time of white settlers. Before man ruled the land, bison and elk roamed free in huge numbers. Passenger pigeons also commanded a large population. In fact, the last big nesting of these now-extinct birds happened in Dunn County. What occurs naturally here in Wisconsin is a rapid conversion from prairie land to woodland. Over the course of about 20 years, grassy, tree-sprinkled prairies can transform themselves into heavily wooded forests. This spells trouble for area-sensitive species whose lives depend on their prairie homes, but with intervention by the DNR, invading cedar trees can be cleared away and the prairie can remain a prairie.

Wisconsin has 8,000 remaining acres of prairie land. The Lower Chippewa River Study Area alone holds 2,000 acres, which makes up 25 percent of the state's entire prairie land. These amounts include four existing natural area studies and some of Wisconsin's own resistant prairie land, which is not susceptible to woodland conversion because of its soil type and animal grazing. According to Hoffman, the Lower Chippewa River Study Area will have no effect on farming, cities, and their activities. So far, the study has been received warmly. A Pepin County native himself, Hoffman grew up on a dairy farm and studied Zoology in college, but his interests led him back home. "I'm here because of the environmental importance of this area," he said. A public review for the study arrives in April. In the meantime, he will be giving more presentations regarding the project.

Olympic fundraising on campus

■ Greeks take an Olympic-size fundraiser; Eau Claire event hoping to get campus support

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

The Special Olympics, although it does not receive the publicity or fanfare of the original Olympics, serves all important role to those throughout the country who participate in the event and those who volunteer to make the program a success.

In order to function, the Special Olympics requires approximately $100,00 a year. It receives $30,000 from corporate supporters, but needs an extra $70,000 from private donations to survive, according to Karen Merry, a member of Inter Greek Council. The IGC, which includes nine sororities and fraternities on campus, is hoping to assist the Special Olympics in raising the money by holding a fund-raiser.

The Special Olympics is a worldwide program that sponsors events, both athletic and cognitive, for children and adults that are cognitively disabled. The events are held in numerous locations throughout the country, with the closest location being Eau Claire. Other Wisconsin event locations include Chippewa Falls, Stevens Point, and River Falls. The events run all year long.

Past activities have included bowling tournaments, basketball games, track meets, and bingo games, along with many other events that help the participants gain self-confidence and the courage to work with others in a social setting. If participants win at a regional event, they can then advance to the state and national championships. In July 1999, the Special Olympics is sponsoring the Special Olympics World Summer games to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the program.

The fund-raiser will be held March 1-5 in the Terrace and March 8-11 next to the Bookstore in the Memorial Student Center(MSC). Each of the nine fraternities and sororities will be offering the chance for students to donate a $1 to the event. If they do so, they will have their name posted on a dollar-bill shaped sign that says "Hugs for Special Olympics." This sign will be posted in the MSC.

Each Greek organization has one day to participate in the fund-raiser. If an organization raises over $25 for the Special Olympics, they will be recognized as donors in three different publications-the Leader, the Dunn County News, and the Stoutonia. Everyone, not only Greek members, is invited to participate in the fund-raiser to help out this worthy cause.

The Special Olympics committee contacted the Inter Greek Council themselves to see if they would be interested in developing a fund-raiser. Other schools, such as UW-Eau Claire and Menomonie's high school and elementary school, are also involved in their own fund-raisers. Due to past success at Stout with volunteering for this program, the Special Olympics is hoping that the students of Stout will once again help make this event a memorable one.

Stout at MGCA conference

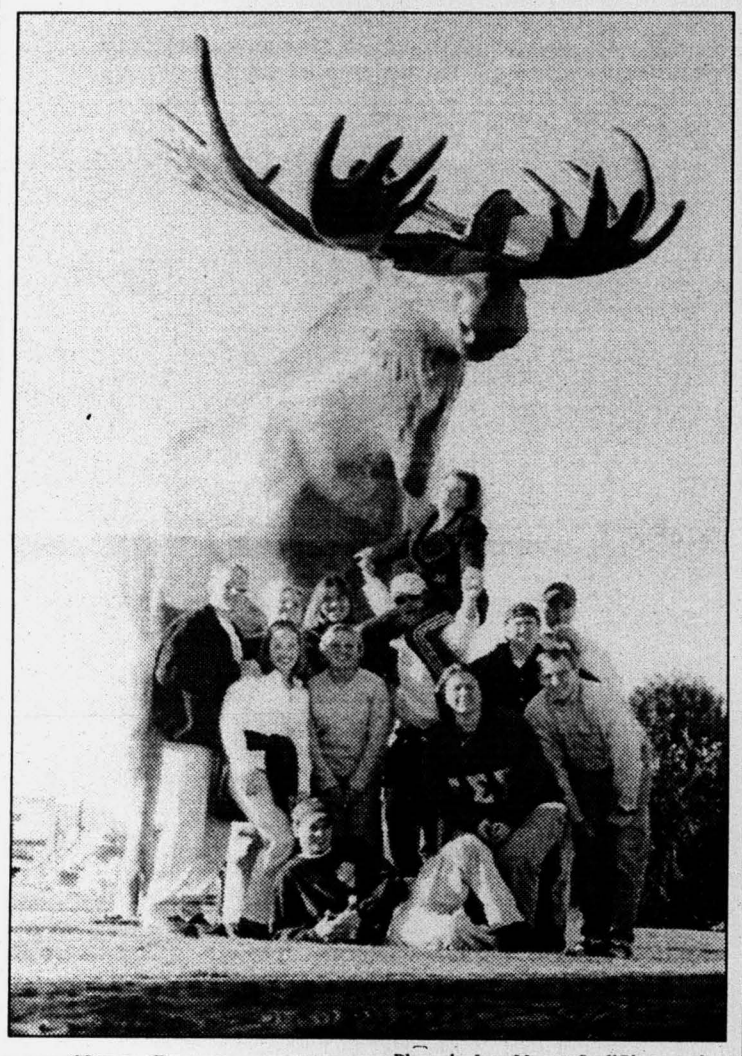


Photo by Lisa Harris, *Staff Photographer*

Eleven Greek leaders represented Stout this weekend at the Mid-America Greek Council Association conference, accompanied by their advisor, Quincy Chapman. Eighteen-hundred students attended the conference from the central U.S. region.

Art/Street Poster project

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Professor Rob Price, who is helping with the workshops and contest, said, "The classroom doesn't stop at the door, this gives students a chance to expand in their learning." Price may not agree with the idea of getting completely rid of the computer scene within Graphic Design and using only silk screening and etching plates, but said, "If good results occur, teachers could find ways to adapt these things into the curriculum." He will be speaking on Thursday, Feb. 24th, in the Applied Arts building at 7:00 p.m, discussing alternative methods to create graphic designs not generally found in the curriculum.

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Plane crashes in China

In southeast China, a Chinese domestic airplane, China Southwest Airlines, crashed on Wednesday. The crash, according to an airport official, killed all 61 people on board the plane. The incident occurred near the city of Wenzhou. It is unknown at this time what caused the crash.

Yeltsin back on job

As Russian President Boris Yeltsin recovers from a bleeding ulcer, he is planning a full schedule for the remainder of the week. According to his spokesman, "The President has finished a course of recuperation and is feeling fine."

Buenos Aires survives blackout

After ten days of suffering through a blackout, Buenos Aires citizens were told on Wednesday by their electric company, Edesur, that power would be restored before Thursday. Thousands of people have protested the blackout, which was claimed by Edesur to be caused by a mysterious fire at a power substation on Valentine's Day.

University Notes

Compiled by Kelly Neidt from Submitted News Releases

Eating disorder support

Three different health professionals will be talking to parents and students on Monday March 1 at 7:00 p.m. at the Menomonie Middle School, on how to help a friend with an eating disorder. Speakers will be giveing suggestions on approaching those with eating disorders, and will also have educational handouts available.

Black History Month Ball

The Black Student Union presents its third annual ball in celebration of Black History Month. The ball will take place Friday, February 26 in the Great Hall of the MSC. Dinner is at 6:00 p.m., with entertainment from 7:30 p.m. to midnight. Cost is $12.00 per person, and attire is semi-formal to formal. Tickets are available at the Service Center Desk in the MSC. All are welcome.

Bloodmobile

Giving blood saves lives. The Bloodmobile will be back at Stout on March 2 and 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. It will be located in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center. If you would like to set up an appointment, call Nicole Eastman at 232-2828.

Special Olympics fund-raiser

Give a hug to Special Olympics! Inter Greek Council is looking for donations in the MSC March 1 - 5 and March 8 - 11. Any organization raising $25 or more will have their name put in the Leader-Telegram, Dunn County News, and the Stoutonia. If you have questions, call Karen at 233-3241.

Badge day

This March will mark the third annual National Pan Hellenic Badge Day. Don't forget to wear your badge on March 1 to show your pride in your Greek affiliation. Place it over your heart with pride!

Recapalooza coming soon

University Recreation is sponsoring the second annual Recapalooza on March 23. Recapalooza is a spectacle of sporting games, inflatable games, and carnival games of skill for all students, staff, and faculty. The event will be from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Spring Break Equipment Special

The Recreation Center is offering a specil rate for Spring Break. Rent any piece of equipment for the entire week and pay only one weekend rate. Cross country skis, Snowshoes, Tents and all camping equipment available. For more infomation, contact the Recreation Center at x1611, or stop down and reserve your equipment today.

Police Beat

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Hit and run accident

An unknown vehicle backed into a fleet vehicle causing minor scrapes to the driver's side rear bumper, fender, back door, and a broken side reflector light lens cover. Debris left at the scene indicated minor damage done to the offending vehicle. A search of the lot revealed no suspect vehicles.

Suspicious persons

On Thursday, Feb. 18 a student complained about two male subjects looking into cars in lot 5. The complainant felt they were acting very suspiciously and appeared as if they were waiting for him to leave the area. The parking lot was checked without locating anyone fitting the descriptions.

Disorderly conduct

An explosion was reported in CKTO. An officer investigating found the remains of a two liter plastic container blown apart. While still in the area, a second device exploded about 25 feet away on the sidewalk. Anyone walking by would have been easily injured. The suspect(s) were more than likely watching during the event.

Citations

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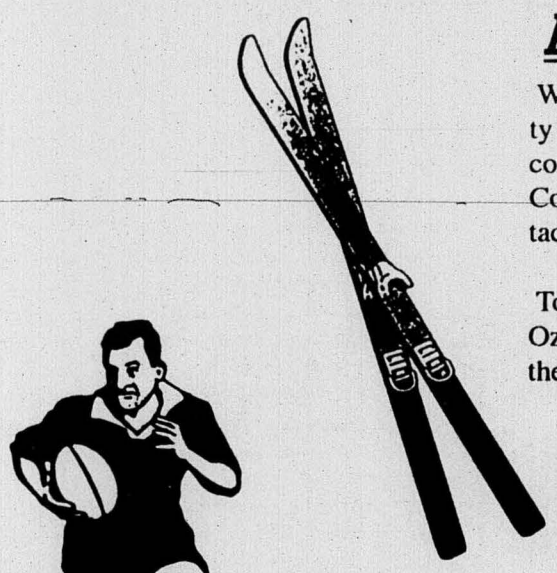
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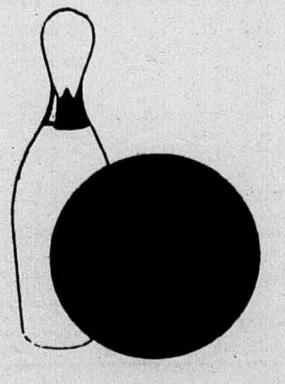
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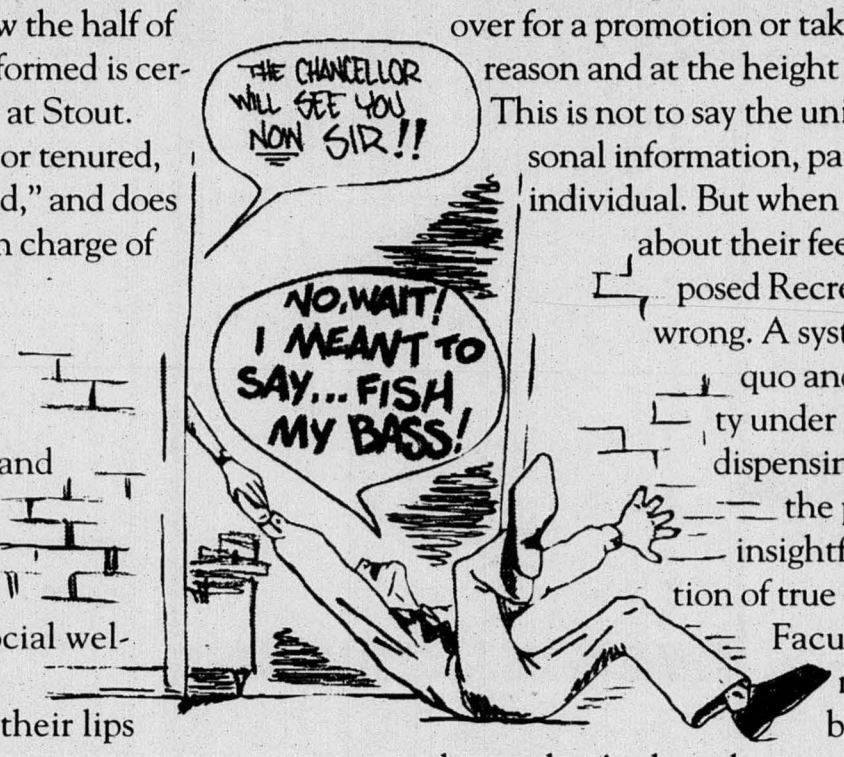


Editorial

The official wool over our eyes

Education implies the state of being informed. It is a value assumed to be upheld by institutions of higher education. While educating continues within the classrooms of UW-Stout, beyond those doors it is anybody's guess what values this university actually upholds. After all, students only know the half of what goes on here and keeping people informed is certainly last on the bureaucratic "to do" list at Stout. Departments are downsized, faculty fired or tenured, employees reassigned, offices "restructured," and does anyone really know why? Beyond those in charge of official bullshitting, no.

University press releases and newsletters, full of candy-coated information that adds up to absolutely zero answers, mock the reader's intelligence and imply that the student body has no business in the official matters of the university. It's no surprise that faculty can give their opinion on economics, social welfare, or packaging requirements within the classroom but then are forced to zip their lips on university policy or actions.



As a newspaper, this makes digging out the truth nearly impossible. Faculty are simply unwilling to put their name to any statement on university doings, no matter how seemingly trivial the issue. The number one reason? They are afraid to lose their job. And those tenured are equally scared, for firing can easily be masked as a "reassignment" or their responsibilities taken away as part of a restructuring. The danger is not easily identifiable, as years can pass before the university passes an instructor over for a promotion or takes away a title, seemingly for no reason and at the height of their career.

This is not to say the university should dispense all personal information, particularly if it's damaging to an individual. But when faculty are afraid to even speak about their feelings on something like the proposed Recreation Complex, something is wrong. A system that should challenge status quo and ignorance is sacrificing integrity under the guise of keeping the peace or dispensing only what is necessary. And the price is being paid with valuable, insightful faculty that are the last bastion of true concern for students.

Faculty are our bridge over the murky waters of university bureaucracy, the ones that can truly say they're here because of the students. And they are being shut up, pushed aside, and subtly threatened with their existence here. *No man, however conservative, can stand before a class day after day and refrain from saying more than he knows.* —Morris Cohen

Give the great red hope

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

Jamie Dean
Columnist

I've always been fascinated by the idea that blood tastes of rusty nails. I didn't stop to ask myself why I had the audacity to taste either of them.

Don't worry, I'm not one of those people who need to see their own blood to know that they are alive -I don't have a jagged row of scars under my shirt sleeve. It's just that on the rare occasion that I cut myself playing with something sharp or while dicing turnips, my mother taught me to put my finger in my mouth until it stopped bleeding. "Saliva," she used to say, "is a natural antiseptic."

Blood, if you think about it, is really significant in our culture, not only as a visual symbol, but also as a metaphor. Whereas bones and skulls represent death and mortality, red blood represents life, probably because the redness of it fades as the iron-rich hemoglobin oxidizes. It has also been used to symbolize violence, war, murder, virility and fertility.

In England, as in much of Europe, blood donation has always operated on a strictly voluntary basis - you never get paid, unless you count a bottomless cup of tea and as many cookies as you can eat. So it's pretty much like the American system - blood banks rely on the decency of relatively few individuals who come in to give blood regularly.

I first gave blood shortly after my 18th birthday. I really felt like I was doing something good, helping someone who was less fortunate and suffered from an illness or had been in an accident.

We all know someone who has been in a scrape: car accident, illness or otherwise. If you have had any major surgery, the chances are that you were kept alive by being injected with someone else's blood; so really there's no reason that we shouldn't all be in there, queuing up in the Great Hall.

If you are a conspiracy theorist, you may want to give it a miss - the Red Cross might sell your blood to government scientists who want to clone you in order to engineer a race of genetic slaves, but unless you're Albert Einstein or Alan Gamache, that would be a little unlikely - who would possibly want to clone you?

So, for anyone who is vaguely interested, don't be scared - you'll feel good for doing it; be in the Great Hall of the Student Center on Tuesday or Wednesday between 9:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., and your generosity could help save someone's life.

JonBenet's fate will forever remain a mystery

Eddie Mullins
Columnist

A little over two years ago, there was a murder that Americans will never forget, the murder of six year -old JonBenet Ramsey. There is now new evidence that has questions arising from authorities. This is an unsolved murder mystery that I am 100 percent sure will never be solved. We will never know what happened on that snowy Christmas Eve night back in 1996, when JonBenet Ramsey was brutally murdered.

The story of a kidnapping or the story of parents involved in the murder of their own child? The kidnapping story I never bought. The parents being involved in their child's murder - this is the story that has been in my mind since the day this murder first appeared on the news. What happened that night?

Lawrence Schiller is a journalist who has been researching this case since it first happened. He now has a book published called "Perfect Murder, Perfect Town" about this famous case being the perfect murder by accident, not by design.

The case unfolded in Boulder, Colorado on Christmas Day 1996, with a phone call to 911 at 5:52 a.m. Jon Benet's mother, Patsy Ramsey, said she found a note that her daughter had been kidnapped. The police arrived at 5:59 a.m., searched the house looking for clues of forced entry and finding none, despite the note saying the girl had been taken from the house. Some experts say that the note shouldn't have been taken at face value, because it was too long at three pages, too respectful, and it asked for an odd amount of money: $118,000, which was weird for the daughter of millionaires. Coincidentally, this was the exact amount of John Ramsey's Christmas bonus. But the oddest thing is that one of the officers thought the child was still in the house. Why, when the note clearly states she was taken? Because the Ramseys were important people of the community, the police did not declare their house a crime scene, so things could actually have been moved around.

The body of Jon Benet was found in the wine cellar at 1:05 p.m., also coincidentally by John Ramsey. The next thing that Ramsey did was plan a trip to Atlanta with his family while his daughter lay dead in the house. Currently, the Ramseys are prime suspects, but they were never questioned until months later, as if the police didn't really want to believe that the Ramseys were involved.

An intruder would have just struck the child on the head and left, but why would they strangle her too? This leaves all arrows pointing to the family. I believe with Patsy Ramsey's temper, she was jealous of her daughter's beauty and accidentally killed her-A question that will never be answered.

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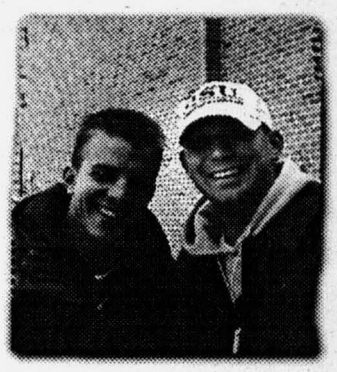
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Teletubbies: What are their antennas used for?



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"Blowing bubbles."

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""The 90s equivalent of Miss Francis' Magic Mirror from Ding Dong Schoolhouse."

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Professor, Art and Design





"Alien procreation."

Holly Sicklinger
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"I love Teletubbies... Po is my favorite!"

Bill Siedlecki
Associate Director,
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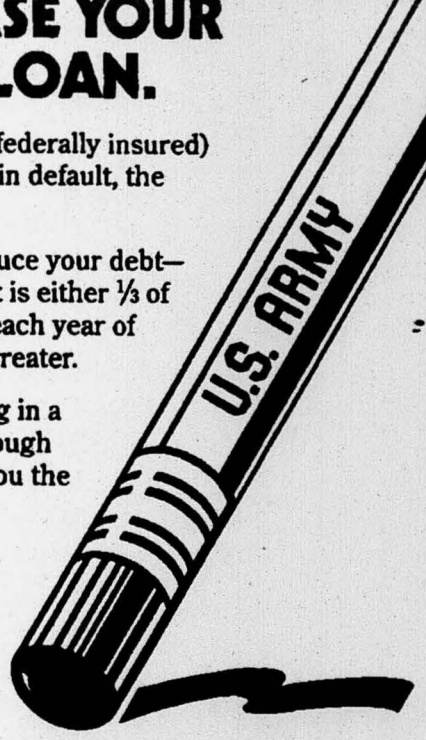
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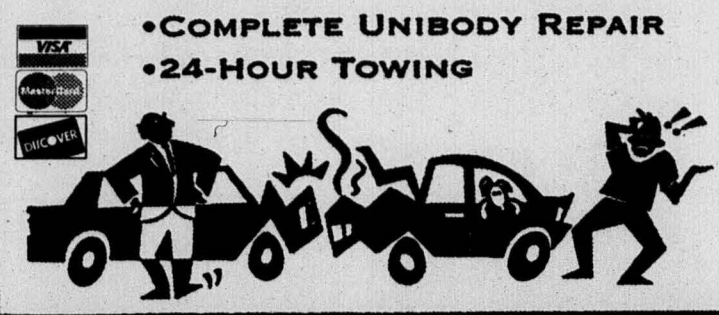
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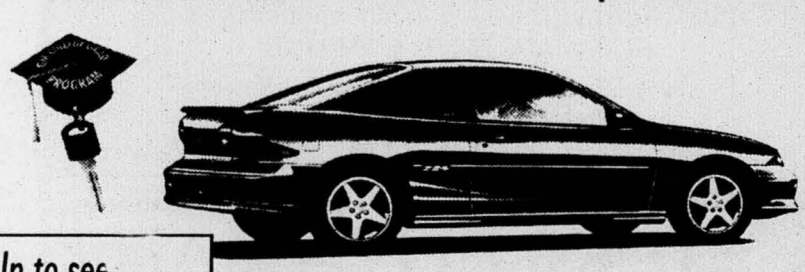
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10 Percent Society strives for campus unity

■ Campus organization makes a comeback, providing support and awareness with new programs

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Bringing unity to the UW-Stout campus is what the 10 Percent Society is striving to accomplish. This dynamic organization is back and running this spring semester after a break that last a year and a half. The 10 Percent Society has taken a short break due to loss of membership and commitment. Yet this organization has reformed with a big bang for Stout's campus.

The 10 Persent Society is a local organization started by students at Stout. Although this is not a national organization, on most campuses there is some type of group or organization that supports gays, lesbians, and bisexuals. The name of the 10 Percent Society was extrapulated from a national study of how people relate in relationships with one another. Its findings were that one out of every 10 people live a gay, lesbian, or bisexual lifestyle. This fall the 10 Percent Society started to put together the direction of the organization and reform their membership.

This spring they are an up-and-running organization ready to provide support and awareness for Stout students.

> **"The 10 Percent Society is a good place to come to that will have a positive impact on one's perspective."**
>
> 10 Percent Society President

The purpose of the 10 Percent Society is to promote equal treatment to everyone on campus, no matter the walk of life one comes from. As part of the purpose they hope to provide awareness about the issues and lifestyles of being gay, lesbian, or bisexual.

This organization gives support not only for gays, lesbians, and bisexuals, but also their friends and family. It is an opportunity to address the issues that exist and discuss what it means to be homosexual on a college campus.

By attending a meeting one can counteract the stereotypes and develop an understanding that was unknown to them before. "The 10 Percent Society is a good place to come to that will have a positive impact on one's perspective", said the current 10 Percent Society president.

This semester the society is working on two significant projects. First, they are in the process of creating a program called "Safe Space." This will allow faculty members who are interested to join the program, and they will receive a decal or sticker to put on their door. In doing this, faculty will be able to create a "safe space" for students to go and talk with them about problems they may be having. Secondly, in April the society hopes to host a "Pride Week." This will consist of speakers and entertainers to help make all students aware of the issues.

Anyone is welcome to come to the meetings, whether gay, lesbian, bisexual, a friend or family member of one, or a heterosexual. For more information about the 10 Percent Society call 232-1765.

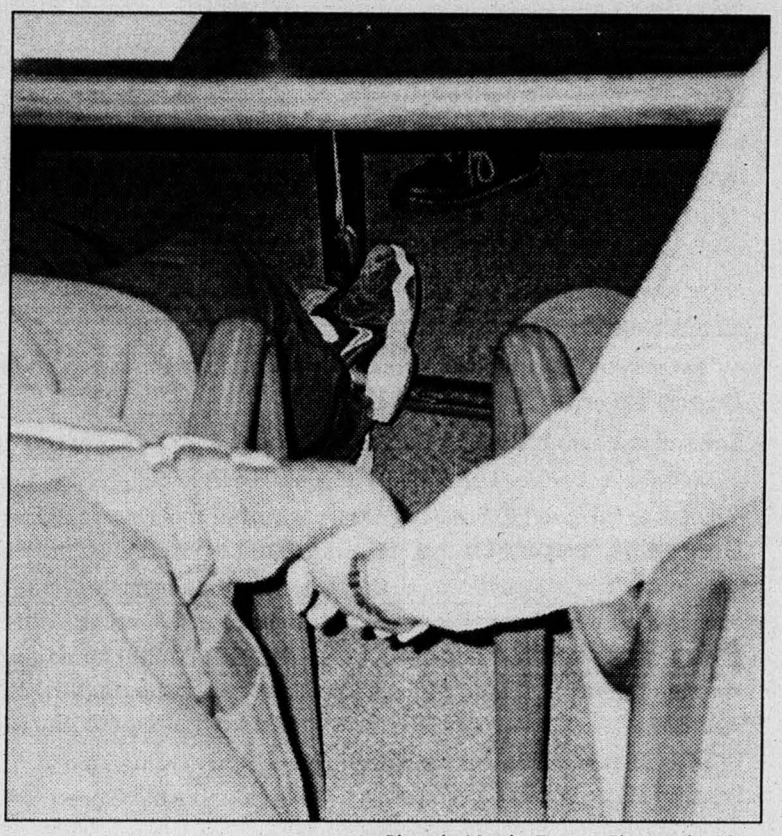


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Support for gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and their friends and families is now provided by the 10 Percent Society. Meetings offer understanding and counteraction against stereotypes.

College students' health threatened by fat and sugar



Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Photography Editor*

Small diet changes can have a big impact on students' health. This doesn't mean always switching veggies for fast food, though. Instead doctors stress the practice of moderation: split dessert with a friend, skip the gravy and butter, and try low-fat versions of foods.

by Sara Blarck
Staff Repoter

Pop quiz: are college students too young to be concerned about their eating habits? Absolutely not, says Dr. Carol Seaborn, Stout Associate Professor of Food and Nutrition. "We know that plaque containing cholesterol, a risk factor for heart disease, starts building up in our arteries even in childhood." In addition to helping prevent heart disease, maintaining a healthy diet can lower the risk of breast, colon, and prostate cancer, control hypertension and help maintain a healthy body weight, just for starters. It is possible for college students to eat better on a daily basis by making simple, painless dietary changes.

According to a recent study by the Michigan State University Department of Food and Nutrition, only 4 percent of college students' diet contained the recommended 30 percent or less of energy from saturated fat, and 10 percent or less of energy from sugar. In other words, 96 percent of college students are eating too much fat and sugar. Obviously the vast majority of students need to change their diet, but much of the problem is that they are too busy to think about where to begin.

"Eating changes must be small and reasonable. Changes can't be perceived as too difficult; they must be incremental. The best thing for students to do is take the Nutrition for Healthy Living class. In this class students analyze their own diet," said Seaborn. A study by the School of Home Economics, in California State University, Chico, showed that 45 percent of students who had taken a basic college nutrition course made dietary changes.

Making healthy dietary choic-

Please see Students' health on page 8

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

It's me again. I often wonder how I can have enough craziness in my life to be able to fill space each week. Many people probably think I make this stuff up. In all honesty, sometimes I wish I could go one week on fibs and half-truths.

I was driving home from work Sunday afternoon, making a mental list of all I had to get done in the limited time before I drove to my parent's home. I was north of town on highway 25 when I drove upon two cars driving 30 mph. Both of the cars' hazard lights were flashing and when they saw me approaching, they pulled to the side of the road. Man, that would suck, I thought to myself as I drove by. Thank God my car was in fine condition. I had two hours of road to burn and no time for car problems.

I pulled into town and let my foot off the gas. Just as I approached the light between McDonald's and Hardee's, it turned red. Like any normal person would do, I gently increased my foot pressure on the break.

I would like to interject the belief I have in assumption. There are many things in life, like car breaks for instance; we as humans automatically assume will do their job by themselves 100 percent of the time. Some would call this faith. I, on the other hand, am not so optimistic. This is where the word assumption comes in.

So, here I am, at a red light in an intersection. I assume my car is going to stop. Why am I never that lucky? As if out of some nightmare, the throttle in my car is stuck wide open, and my pedal is to the metal. Slam on the brakes, you say, yeah tried that. Both of my feet are pushing all the weight of my body onto the brakes, and guess what? Still going.

I'm freaking out. That is the only way to explain the concoction of emotions that have passed through my consciousness at this time. I'm in the middle of town, on the main highway that runs through, and my car is out of control. It was right out of a scene of an action movie. You know: bad guys are out to do damage, innocent woman gets in the middle, they cut her brake-fluid line, her car is speeding out of control. But in an action movie, there is usually a main character/hero that saves her from dying. No such person in my case. I had to save myself.



At the same time my car is psychotically possessed, there are cars right in front of me that are not moving. I don't know, if I heard a car squealing and swerving, and all the while speeding up, I would get out of the way. These drivers obviously weren't that smart. This made my job even harder.

I was swerving through lanes, and jumping curbs. At one point I was dodging traffic from the opposite direction. Cars are honking and drivers are giving me the finger. Like this is fun for me?

Finally I get back in the lane going the same direction as me, and just shut off my car. I quick check out the line of cars behind me that slam on their brakes. More people give me the finger. I turn on my hazards (de ja vu from earlier that day) and jump out of my car. Slamming the door behind me I stomp over to Hardees. I call my roommate to come pick me up and a tow truck to get my car out of the middle of the intersection.

I call my parents, because it is their fault I can't get home. Luckily, my friend Jay was kind enough to drive me. We end up getting home safely. The next day, my doctor appointment also runs smoothly. More tests and even more consultation lead me to the conclusion that I will be having heart surgery in a few weeks. (This, of course, provides the evidence I needed to prove the fact that I actually have one.)

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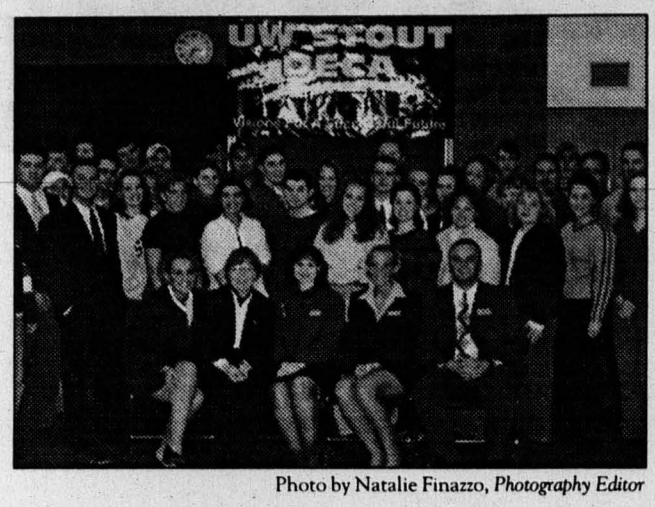


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Current reports have suggested: Investigations have indicated weekly meetings every Tuesday evening at 6:00. Suspicious characters have been seen walking in and out of the Crystal Ballroom A. No one has been apprehended at this time due to lack of evidence.

Past accounts: It has been recorded that certain members have attended annual leadership conferences. Illegal funds have been obtained by raffling Packer tickets to the innocent. Additional money has been made off of using the front of donating canned goods to the foodshelf and sponsoring a family each year for the Giving Tree.

Suspicious characters: Many people have been rumored to be connected to this mob-like group. Among the many, characters such as: Chad VanDaalyk, Sara Fodroczi, Bill Todd, Christa Pharis, Josh Fassl, Scott Dereshuk, Dave Kiecker, and John Salow seem to be the current leaders.

Students' health threatened

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es does not mean completely cutting out all fat and sugars. "Pasta, chicken, chocolate, ice cream, pizza and french fries are as American as baseball and apple pie, and can be part of a healthful eating plan," said Nancy Schwartz, Ph.D., R.D., who directs the ADA's National Center for Nutrition and Dietetics (NCND). "People don't need to give up their favorite tasty foods. All foods can be part of healthful eating when consumed in moderation. Balancing out a variety of selections over the course of a day or a week, with an emphasis on grain-based dishes and fruits and vegetables, can lead to an overall healthful eating pattern."

One way to maintain a healthy diet is to look for foods that are baked, broiled, grilled, poached, steamed, roasted or stir-fried. Ask for mashed potatoes without gravy and butter, or use mustard instead of mayonnaise on sandwiches with wheat bread. Choose low-fat or non-fat versions of salad dressings and mayonnaise. Split desserts with a friend. "There are many changes students can implement in order to eat healthy, such as bringing fruit snacks to eat between classes. Ask for two vegetable servings instead of one, both without butter," said Seaborn, "Or, drink milk at meals and soda only at snacks." It also helps to read nutrition facts on food labels, paying attention to calories as well as fat content. The suggested intake of calories per day is 2200 for women and 2900 for men. One way to keep calories lower remains making the time to eat breakfast. Skipping breakfast causes fatigue and leads to all day snacking.

Students can eat a healthier diet by simply following the Food Guide Pyramid, which was developed by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to help healthy Americans make food choices to maintain good health. This means picking from a variety of foods daily in a proportion to help build a better diet. The Pyramid recommends eating six to eleven servings daily out of the rice, bread, cereal and pasta food group. It is important to make whole grain and whole wheat choices from this group. Also, two to four fruit servings and three to five vegetable servings should be included daily. Two to three servings are recommended from the dairy group. The best choices are low fat, such as skim milk and low fat yogurt or sour cream. The Pyramid suggests two to three servings of meat, poultry, fish, dry beans, eggs and nuts. Fats, oils, and sweets should be eaten the least. Making correct choices using the Pyramid helps people get the vitamins, minerals, protein, and fiber they need, in addition to reducing fat intake.

In addition to following the Food Pyramid, the U.S. Department of Agriculture recommends other dietary guidelines, including eating a diet low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol, choosing a diet moderate in salt and sodium, and drinking alcoholic beverages in moderation. Moderation means one alcoholic serving for women, and two for men.

Stout community takes "Wellness to Heart"

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

February is American Heart Month, which launches a national education campaign to increase public awareness and understanding of heart disease and heart attacks. The theme for 1999 is "Take Wellness To Heart" and is sponsored by American Heart Association's National Women's Heart Disease and Stroke Campaign.

American Heart Month is not meant to develop new treatments or medicines, but rather to increase people's knowledge about how to live a healthy life and about the dangers of heart problems.

Locally, at Red Cedar Medical Center, events have been planned all month to promote this event. A physician, dietition, and two exercise professionals gave heart healthy tips. A conference was held at the center on Feb. 20 as well. The keynote speaker was Carrie Nelson who spoke on cardiovascular wellness. Blood pressures, blood cholesterol tests, and body fat evaluations were also available.

Key Concerns of the Women's Campaign include:

* cardiovascular disease is the number one threat to the overall health of American women,
* cardiovascular disease claims more lives each year than the next 16 causes of death combined, including all forms of cancer, in men and women,
*only eight percent of American women recognize cardiovascular disease as a serious health threat.

Although preventing a heart attack or stroke by eating right and exercising is ideal, knowing what to do if yourself or someone else is having cardiovascular trouble could mean the difference between life and death.

Warning signs of a heart attack (according to the American Heart Association):

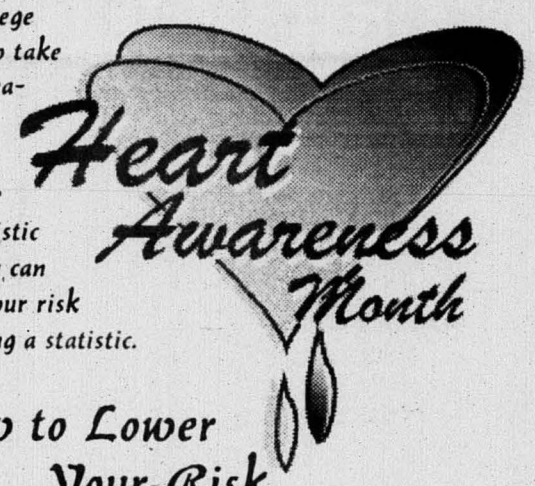
* pain in the center of the chest or uncomfortable squeezing, pressure or fullness in the chest, which lasts more than a few minutes,
* pain spreading to the shoulders, neck or arms,
*chest discomfort with lightheadedness, fainting, sweating, nausea, or shortness of breath.

All of these signs may not always occur or they may disappear and return later. If so, still get help immediately!

Warning signs of a stroke (according to the American Heart Association):

* sudden weakness or numbness of the face, arm, leg, or one side of the body,
* sudden dimness or loss of vision, particularly in one eye,
* sudden loss of speech or trouble talking or understanding another person's speech,
* sudden severe headaches with no known cause,
* sudden unexplained dizziness, unsteadiness or falling, especially along with any of the other symptoms listed here.

Even college students need to take preventative measures against heart disease. Here are some simple, realistic ways the you can reduce your risk and avoid being a statistic.



How to Lower Your Risk of Heart Disease

- Get your blood pressure levels checked.
- Quit smoking.
- Eat a low-fat diet.
- Be physically active.
- Take medications if prescribed.
- Don't drink excessively.

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Judge debuts with anticipated *Office Space*

Would it be that difficult for Mike Judge, creator of "Beavis and Butthead" and the new comedy *Office Space*, to return to his humble roots?



Corey Klein

Film: *Office Space*
Directed By: Mike Judge
Starring: Ron Livingston, Jennifer Aniston
Synopsis: A humorous tale of three friends who plot to steal their faceless corporation of fractions of a cent at a time.
Rating:

I guess so, for the comic "guru" has already abolished his famed cartoon series on MTV and expanded to multiple media markets. Most notably, broadcast television (in the form of a tame "Beavis and Butthead" - "King of the Hill," Fox Tuesday nights) and now attacking the big screen in *Office Space*, an off-and-on comedy revolving around one man's realization that, "Hey, work sucks."

The feature length film, just over an hour-and-a-half long, only plays host to one famous face, Jennifer Aniston, who plays Joanna. The film is Judge's first attempt at directing a live-action film for the big screen.

Office Space is not a dismal failure, due to easy stereotyping of characters and witty visual comedy. The visual comedy is apparent immediately in the film, as characters creep through rush hour traffic on their way to their cubicle-laden jobs. Here an elderly man with the aid of a walker outdistances the cars parked on the expressway.

The other likable aspect of the film is the easy categorization the movie goer can put characters into. Everyone in the film can be identified as someone you know, from the Porsche driving, ignorant boss, to the mumbling employee who's elbowed out of the way, all the way to the foreign-born team member with the no-one-can-pronounce-nor-care name.

In the way of plot development, Judge, who both wrote and directed *Space*, appealed to-the theory that, well, less is more.

The story focuses on Peter Gibbons (Ron Livingston, recognizable from the bit part as Rob in *Swingers*) as the "hope he gets out of the situation" employee. Peter decides, after a hypnotist dies while performing on him, to basically not care about his job situation anymore. He opts to sleep in, wear flip-flops into the office, and announces to the consultants who are analyzing his job that he really hasn't been "missing" work.

Due to his performance for the consultants, Peter is promoted while his worrisome co-workers Ranadaja (the unpronounceable foreigner) and Michael Bolton (no relation) are fired. In an anger-driven frenzy, the three download a virus, relieving the company of a few pennies at a time and in turn, setting up their retirement funds. A simple plan, which should have worked flawlessly.

The only plot twist in the movie offers some great comic visuals. While watching their last days of work, Judge gives his only brilliant directing maneuver. While shooting the virus downloading, he goes for freeze-frame and zoom-in tactics, reminiscent of more dramatic, man-against-corporation rip-off films.

After the three successfully release their mastermind virus, they set up a staged beating of the company's printer. In full mobster style, the trio drive to an abandoned field and beat what life is left in the outdated printer which wreaked havoc on their lives. Anyone who has had trouble with subpar technical equipment is forced to laugh at the Mafia-style beating.

The criminal masterminds soon discover that the bug they planted, aimed at taking fractions of a cent at a time, begins taking larger chunks. They nearly fall over themselves in attempts to remedy the situation.

Overall, the film is humorous, providing you read the Dilbert comic strip and have some office experience. But as a top film contender, don't expect it to rise to the top of any critic's lists. The lack of plot stability and crude language detach from the film. I award Judge on his first live action attempt a two out of five. See it as a matinee, and save the money for a better spent ice cream treat on the way home.

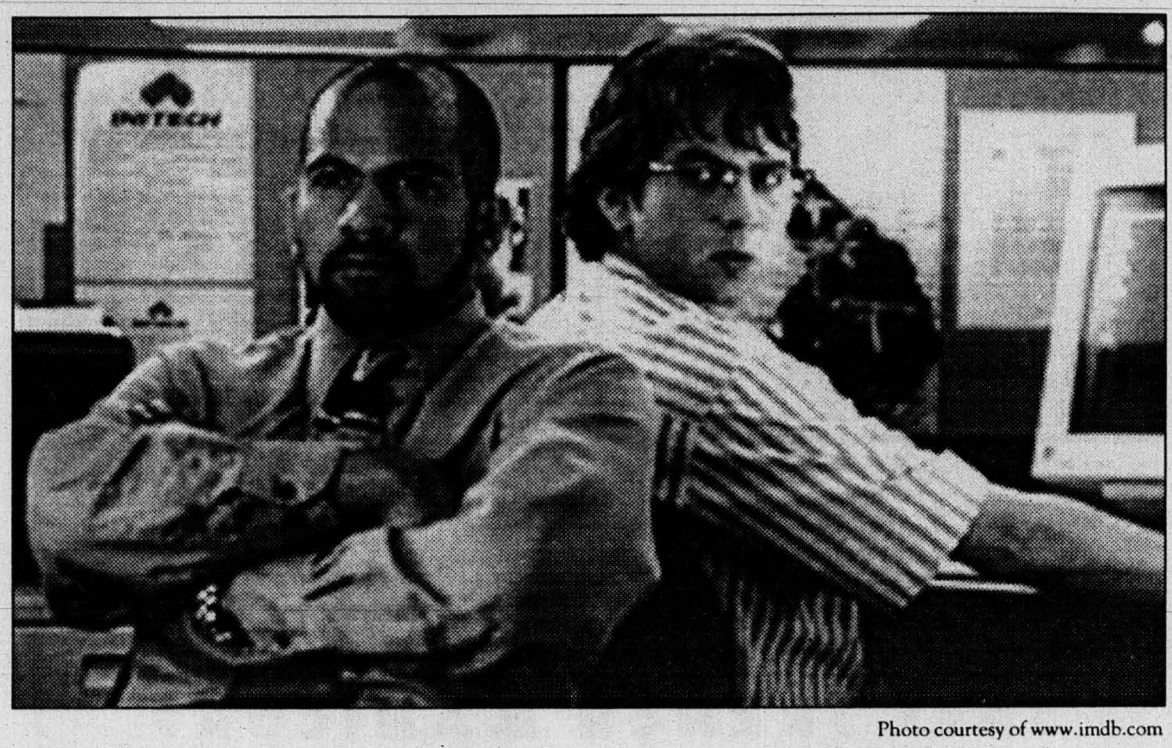
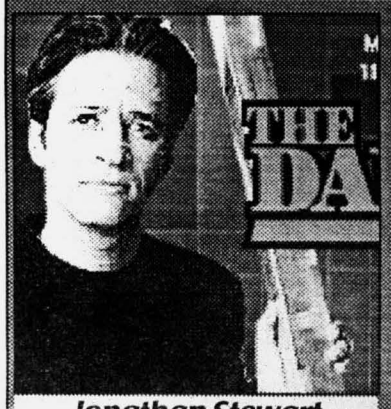


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Plotting for personal gain. Two of the conspiracy trio Ranadaja (left) and Michael exchange ideas on planting a computer virus in their faceless corporations computer system. The bug, hoped to give them fractions of a cent at a time, malfunctions, leaving them with thousands of dollars needing a legitimate explanation.

If they say so ...

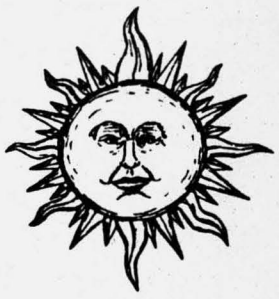


Jonathan Stewart
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On Queen Elizabeth

"In a weird coincidence, both Cate Blanchett and Judi Dench have been nominated for Oscars for their portrayal of Queen Elizabeth . . . as opposed to the current Queen, who is played by a man."



Horoscopes



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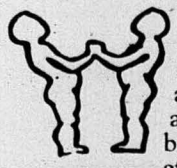
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Consuming large quantities of alcohol may cause you to have uncontrollable muscle spasms that will masquerade as dancing.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Later, you'll engage in a fight with a mouse, a.k.a. Bruno. In an unfortunate chain of events, you'll lose.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) As graceful as you are, you'll once again slip on a banana peel and afterwards perform a double back flip. The gymnastics team will start recruiting you.



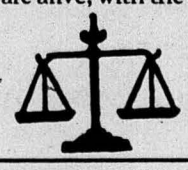
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) A small alien will pay you a visit and invite you on a journey to explore the realms of the universe, eat Doritos all day, and obtain the answers to life. However, you won't be able to go because you have homework to do that night.



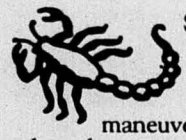
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Your ship will finally come in today! Then it will sink before it reaches the dock.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) After making a trip through the Bermuda Triangle, you'll proudly come back claiming you made it out okay. Then you'll saunter off to class doing three cartwheels per minute while singing, "The hills are alive, with the sound of music."



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today you'll find a pretty rock. That's all that's in store for today's excitement.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You will be conducting naval maneuvers in the bathtub today, when you will have an accident involving your toy submarine. The trip to the emergency room will be quite embarrassing.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today you will discover that Bernie, your invisible friend, will be moving away. It seems that Bernie's dad got a new job in Africa.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Late in the day you will notice that people seem to be staring at your nose. It's probably nothing.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Many people were impressed with my expertise when I accidentally predicted the gas leak last week for you. However, the investigators didn't think it was too funny.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) It's a good week to get your finances in order. Luckily for you that simply means putting the one dollar bills in front of the five in your wallet.



The top 100 movies of all time: last round

Well it's that issue that you've all been waiting for. It's the last 25 of my top 100, and like I have promised you, I saved the best for last. These movies were really hard to number since I loved them all so much, but after many sleepless hours, I settled on the order you see now. These are the movies that have influenced my life the most and are the reason the film industry is so successful. Enough babble, here are my reasons for the last 25 (as if they needed them).



Phil Skretvedt

Phil has elected to give his top 100 picks of all time. This is the one everyone has been waiting for, the last of the series. Here, displayed for you, are movies #25 through #1.

25. I really do love the 80s brat pack movies. *The Breakfast Club* is a movie that defined a generation and launched the careers of all who were in it. It's Molly Ringwald at her very hottest.

24. I've got a golden ticket! *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* just tends to bring out the kid in me; what a great idea for a movie. Why doesn't some candy maker come out with a contest like that? While they're at it, make sure to include some Oompa Loompas somewhere in their factory.

23. *Weird Science* is a geeks dream! Two losers create a beautiful girl on their computer during a slow Saturday night; yeah right! Still, it was a great movie....wait, did I just admit that I'm a geek?

22. Kevin Bacon as a dancing queen? Yeah, *Footloose* was a stretch for Bacon, but he somehow pulled it off. My favorite part was when his character teaches Chris Penn to dance, even though neither one ends up doing it very well. It's your typical 80s rebellion story.

21. *Saving Private Ryan* is the most recent film to make my top 100 and also break into the top 25. This movie gave me a great sense of pride for those who died serving our country. It seems like Spielberg can't make a bad movie.

20. *UHF* will always brings a smile to my face. This is a low budget film with Weird Al Yankovic, Kramer from Seinfeld, and Victoria Jackson. Of course, Kramer's talent for humor saves this movie from mediocrity.

19. I never miss a Christmas without seeing *A Christmas Story*. It's one of those few movies that can use a narration from the kid's point of view and make it work. I especially loved the leg lamp. I wish there was a place you could buy one. That would be the coolest dorm accessory ever.

18. Keanu Reeves may not be the world's best actor, but his weird mannerisms and surfer-boy style go well with *Point Break*. It's a good ol' action film with Patrick Swayze on the bad side for once. It's about time someone revealed those pretty boys for who they really are.

17. *The Lost Boys* is the best of the many Corey Haim-Corey Feldman movies. Single parent mom and two teenage boys move to vampire infested California town. It's a bit of a long shot, but they make it believable and add a little humor in the process.

16. *Scream* has single-handedly started a resurgence of the teenage horror flicks. They keep the audience guessing throughout the whole film, but yet take time out to poke fun at the typical horror format. It's my favorite horror film, so far.

15. I just saw *Gattica*. Once I started watching it, I was hooked and ended up missing the first half of a class to see the ending. It's a very dream-like movie with great cinematography and a lot of suspense.

14. *The Shawshank Redemption* has got to be one of the best storylines I've ever seen. It reminded me of *Field of Dreams* in a way, but with a more believable plot. I never even saw that ending coming; I love how they tied all their ideas together.

13. *Dances with Wolves* was a great portrayal of American Indians. It's a very unique movie with Kevin Costner giving the performance of his career. Maybe it's a theme with me, but this movie also had great cinematography. The long length kind of detracts, but it doesn't seem like three hours once you get into it.

12. Ben Stiller is so hilarious in this movie. Another great comedy brought to you by the directors of *Dumb and Dumber*. Not a very good date movie, and I never saw that zipper shot coming.

11. I think I just liked *Dead Poet's Society* because Robin Williams was in it. That and I wish that I could get that cool of a teacher sometime before I graduate. Basically just a good story.

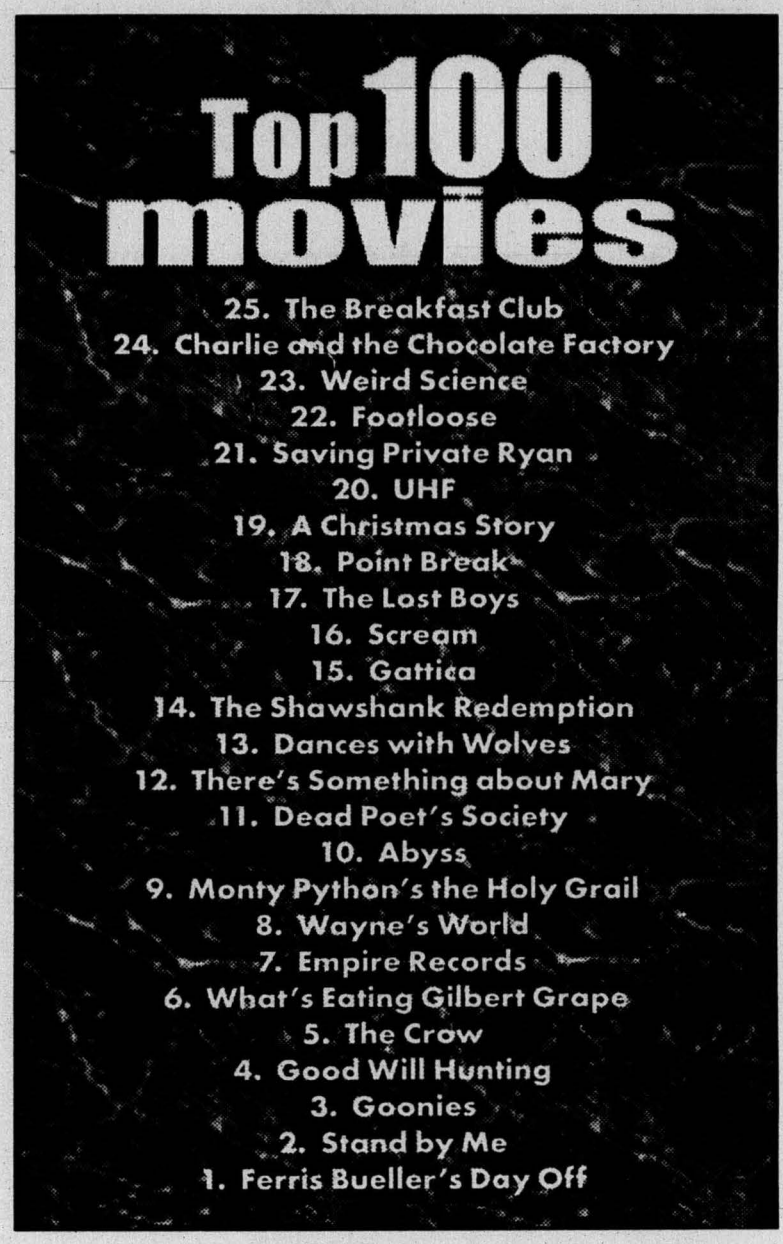
10. *Abyss* is an action-thriller underwater style. What separates it from other thrillers is its added twist with the discovery of the underwater aliens. It sounds dumb on paper but it's a fantastic movie with fantastic computer graphics.

9. I bow to Monty Python's *The Holy Grail*. Some things are just more funny when you say them in a British accent. I love every movie that these guys make, but *The Holy Grail* has to be my personal favorite.

8. *Wayne's World* sucked....not!! That catch phrase lasted for a good couple of years. In fact I think my parents still use it on me once in awhile to try and be funny. Still, this is the best "Saturday Night Live" sketch-turned-movie of them all. Mike Meyers is one of my all-time favorite comedians.

7. *Empire Records* is just one of those really fun-type movies. Who wouldn't want to work at a cool record store like that? You never have to leave the back room to go help the customers, and you can gamble with store money, then have a party to pay it all back. What's not to like?

6. *What's Eating Gilbert Grape* had a great moral to it. It's a cool small town story, with Leonardo Dicaprio playing a very convincing handicapped person. In fact, I must admit that Leo's performance is what makes this movie great, but the book is even better than the film.



5. The fact that Brandon Lee died during the making of *The Crow* just adds to its mystery. It's a very dark movie about coming back from the dead to seek revenge on those who killed you. Yet, the slight sci-fi feel and the great cinematography are the things that make this movie so unique.

4. *Good Will Hunting* was an amazingly good film. I couldn't believe that Matt Damon and Ben Affleck wrote this movie while still in college. I was very impressed by Damon and Affleck's well-practiced Boston accents and with the casting of the great Robin Williams as the therapist. What a great way to launch a Hollywood career.

3. The *Goonies* kicks ass!! If Cindy Lauper does the soundtrack and it's directed by Steven Speilberg, it's got to be good. Every time I watch this movie it always reminds me of my childhood and the hours I spent looking for a treasure map of my own.

2. Coming in a close second is *Stand By Me*. All of the four lead actors in this movie did a phenomenal job, and consequently, all went on to bigger things in both TV and film. It's a deep movie that does a fantastic job of describing every boy's childhood.

1. I watched *Ferris Bueller's Day Off* every time I faked sick and stayed home from school. Whenever I'm bored or feeling down, I'll pop this bad boy in my VCR and find instant happiness. The scenes are representative of any high school lifestyle and Matthew Broderick has never made a better movie since. It's #1; need I say more?

Well, there's all 100 of them. I'm sure most of you didn't like my choices, so why not make your own? It's really pretty easy and fun too, if you have the time. I think most of us underestimate the power that the movie industry has on our lives. They make you laugh, cry, scream, or even inspire you. It's kinda neat to see the top 100 movies that have affected your life down on paper. But, if all else, at least you learned what the word cinematography means.

That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.

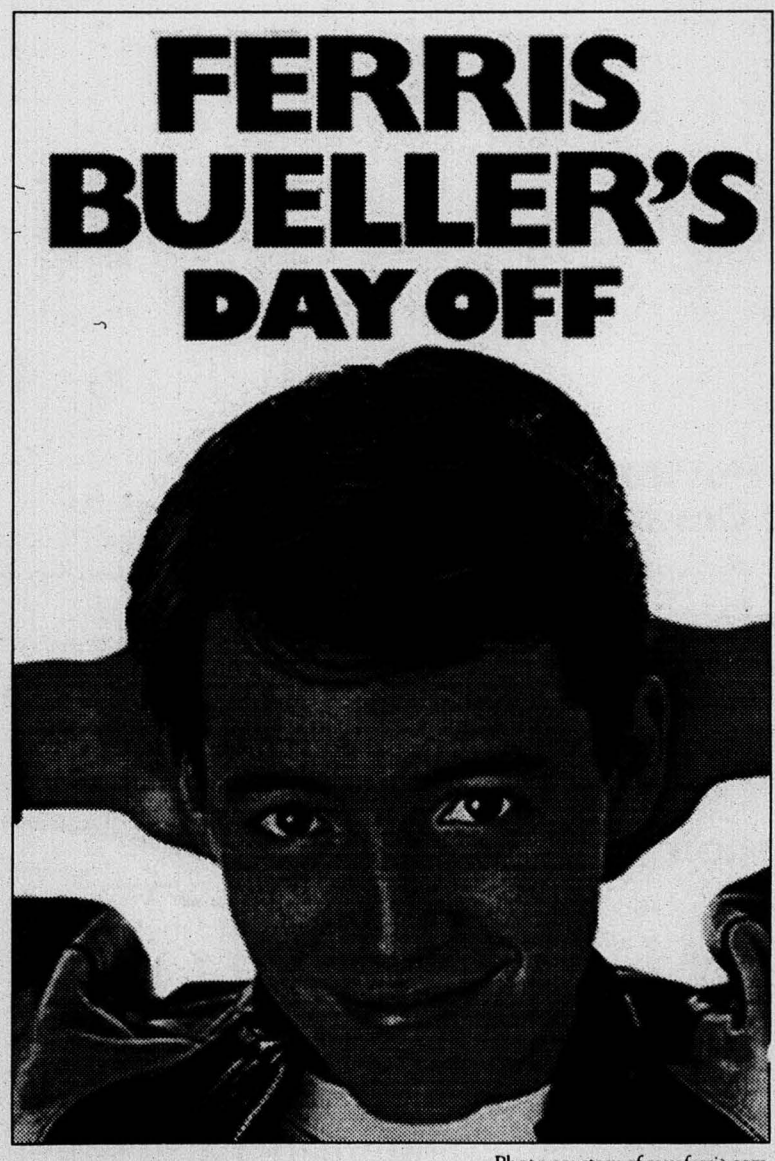
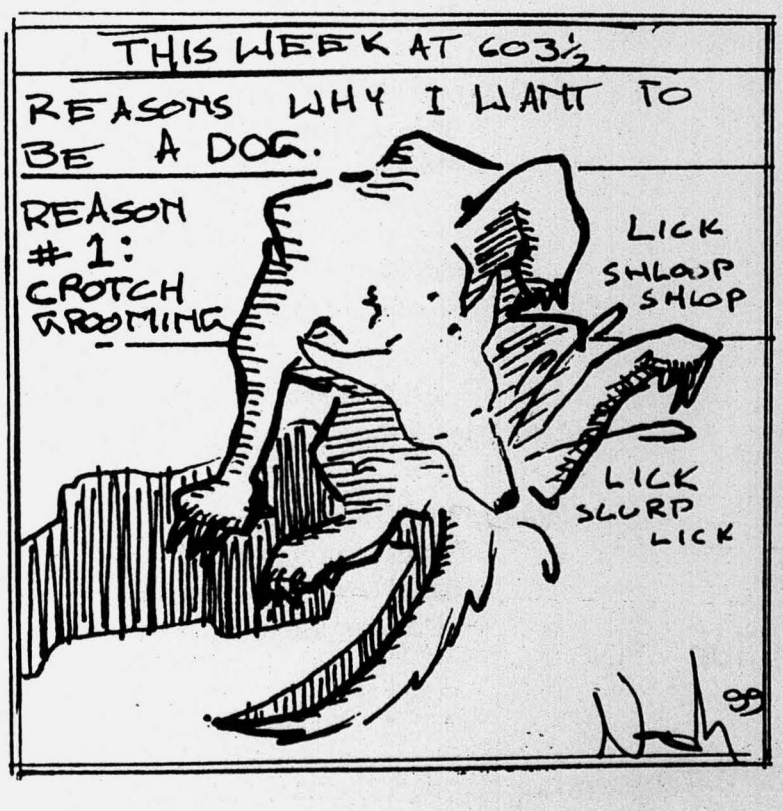


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Men uproot Oshkosh; face No. 1 seed in Finals

by Rich Spicer, *Sports Reporter*
Amy Schneider, *Sports Editor*

"I love this game!" "It's Fan-Tas-tic!" Whatever the motto, Stout's Men's Team gave fans a classic, buzzer-beater win reminiscent of pre-contractual basketball. This is the stuff to ensure faithful fans that you can take the game out of the playground but you can't take the playground out of the game.

Entering the WIAC semi-finals Wednesday at UW-Oshkosh, Stout's hopes were high but their chances slim. The last time these teams collided, the result left both teams uneasy. Oshkosh was able to pull away with the victory, but considering the scant margin of three points, both teams knew it could have gone either way. As of tip off on Wednesday, Oshkosh was seeded second in the conference, after taking a close victory against UW-Superior.

Stout's confidence was bolstered in playoff action after holding UW-Eau Claire scoreless for a full two minutes and mounting a 10-point deficit that UW-Eau Claire was unable to overcome. Although seeded sixth, and clearly the underdog against Oshkosh, the clock was on Stout's side this time and after volleying the score throughout the second half, everyting just seemed to fall into place.

The game was determined on a jumper from the hands of Jeremy Preston with 50 seconds ticking off the remainder of the game. The shot brought Stout to an 83-82 lead over Oshkosh. Unanswerd by the Titans, two consecutive single free throws from Jeremy Liebfried and Andy Meyers knotted the score at 85-82 and cemented Stout's place in the WIAC Championship Game to be held at top seeded UW-Platteville this Saturday at 7 p.m.

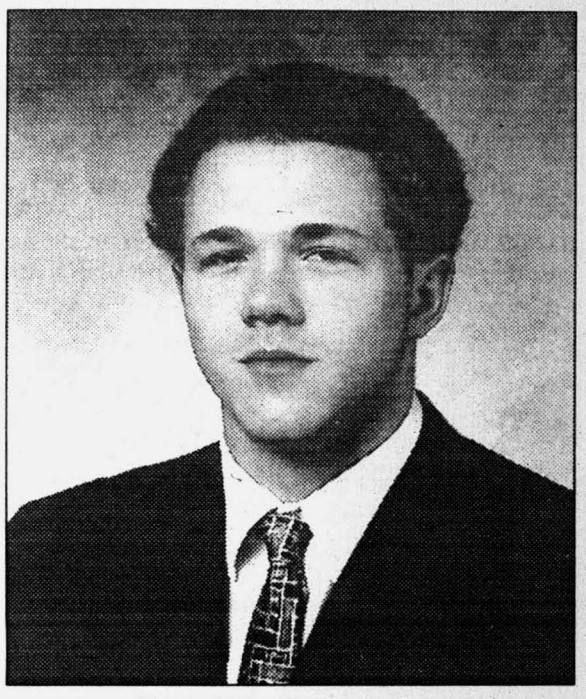


Photo submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Jeremy Preston capped off an edge-of-the-seat win over UW-Oshkosh with a brilliant performance and a decisive last minute jumper.

Stout and Platteville met last on Feb. 17, when Stout fell 54-77 to Platteville after hanging on to a close game through the first half and watching the win slip away as Platteville littered the boards with shots.

Platteville's Merrill Brunson scored 23 of his game high 33 points in the second half after the Blue Devils trailed by only three points at half-time. Brunson is a threat the Men's team will have to overcome early in the game in order to hold up against the defending national champs.

The Women's Team, also poised to play Oshkosh in the next round, gave the hometown crowd something to talk about just this week. With a half-time deficit of 26-20 in the hands of UW-Stevens Point, the future of Stout's phenomenal season, seemed to be in jeopardy. However, the second half started off with a huge turnaround, as the Pointers were held scoreless for over three minutes and the previously lethargic Blue Devil offense opened to a sizzling 34-26 lead.

Good times continued to roll as Stout was able to turn a first half shooting percentage of 24 into an incredible 47 percent conversion rate in the second. Also key were turnovers. Stout gave up just nine turnovers and was able to force 27 out of the hands of the Pointers, 16 of which came in the second half.

None of the players will dispute, however, that the win would not have come without consistent, even point distribution. Shannon Berg recovered from a dismal two point first half to lead Stout with 17 points on the day. Following close behind was Rachel Traynor who turned in 15, and Heather Peterson with 13 closed out the Blue Devil double digit club.

Next on the docket is UW-Oshkosh and a rematch both teams are eager for. Last time they played, Stout's women threw down the number one seeded team in one of the most exciting upsets of the year. Some thought the victory to be a fluke, however others are a little more skeptical. The Blue Devils will use this game not only to further themselves in semi-final competition, but as an opportunity to prove that it isn't luck that has gotten them this far. They truly are a team to be contended with.

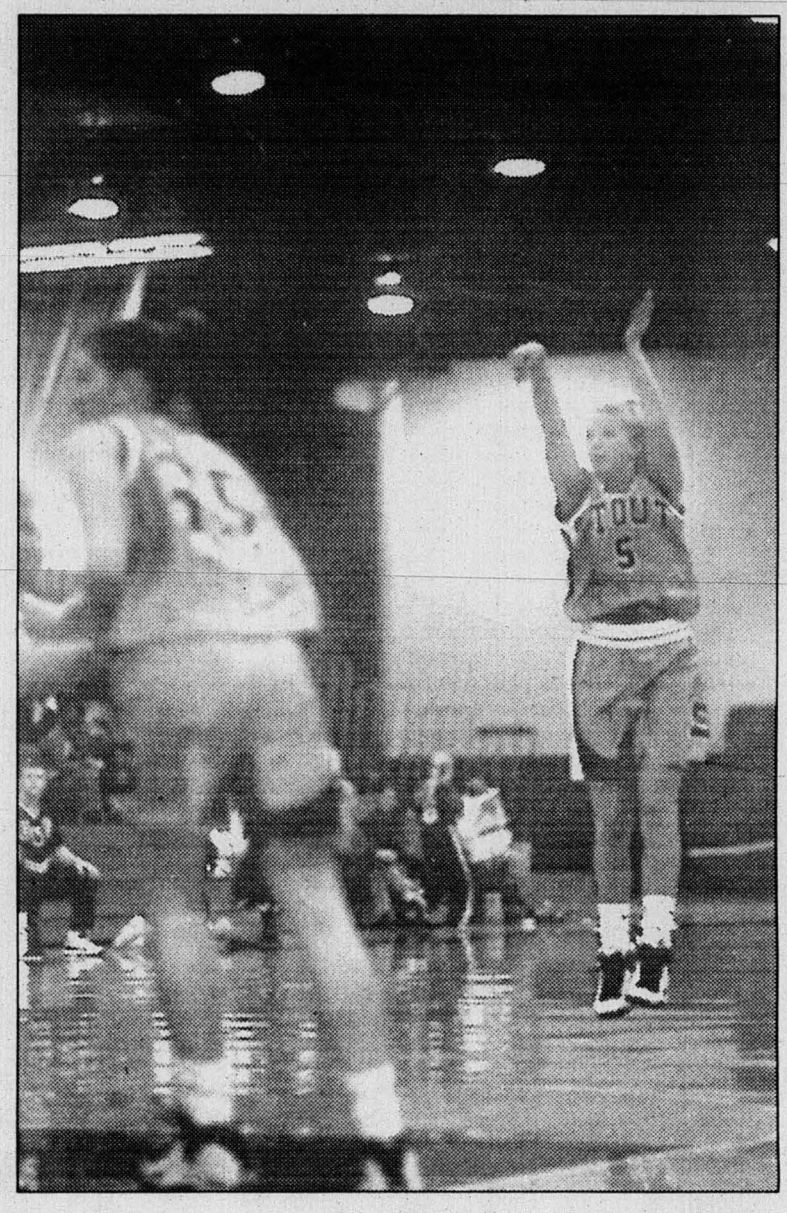


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Shannon Berg posts up for the jumper in a win against UW-Platteville that launched the team into playoff action this week. Berg's contributions to the net were crucial in both games, coming back after a lagging first half to score 17 points against UW-Oshkosh and adding another 16 against the Pioneers.

Superior ends hot streak on the ice

by Kyle Madson
Sports Reporter

Heading into the final week of the season, the Blue Devil Hockey Team was riding a wave of momentum with four straight victories under their belt. However, the final weekend matched the Blue Devils against the perennial powerhouse of the WIAC, the UW-Superior Yellowjackets.

Friday, Feb. 12, the Blue Devils buckled down for one of their toughest contests of the year against fourth seeded UW-Superior. After skating to a scoreless tie in the first period, the Yellowjackets found their groove, exploding for six goals in the second and a 9-2 final. The thrashing seemed to strike a nerve in the Blue Devil Hockey Team, which propelled them to their first defeat of Superior in 16 years.

The thrilling victory could be attributed to a total team effort, three goals scored by three different players, and excellent defense topped off by exceptional play by Todd Sether in the net.

Due to league standings, which plotted UW-Superior at No. 4 and UW-Stout at No. 5, the Blue Devils and the Yellowjackets faced off again this past weekend in the first round of the NCHA playoffs in Superior.

The Blue Devils began the contest right where they had left off the previous weekend, jumping out to a 4-0 lead in the first stanza. Kevin Aube scored the first two goals of the game, getting assists from Tom Schaffner on both goals, followed by teammates Josh Markelevits and Shane Maher later in the first period.

Not to be outdone a second time, the Yellowjackets mounted a hefty comeback goal in the final seconds of the first period. A goal late in the second and two more in the third, coupled with strong defense the remainder of the contest, salvaged a 4-4 tie for Superior.

That led to the final showdown between the two teams on Saturday, Feb. 20. The high-powered offense of UW-Superior left little to chance in this particular contest, however, as they blew Stout off the ice in a rather convincing 8-1 victory.

The Yellowjackets scored six times before yielding the Blue Devils their lone goal of the night in the third period. Brad Weappa recorded Stout's only goal, with Greg Foster and Graham Lomen getting the assists. Despite the one-sided score, Stout actually took more shots on goal than the Jackets, 35-33.

The team's final overall record of 9-16-2 was their best record since returning to campus as a varsity sport, and their 6-9-1 NCHA record was their best throughout three seasons in the league. The Blue Devils continued to play their best hockey towards the end of the season, winning five out of their final eight games.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Track and Field

Tim Hamill set a school record on his way to winning the 5000-meter run at the Pointer Invitational Saturday, Feb. 20 in Stevens Point.

Hamill edged out Stevens Point runner Dan Schwamberger with an NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time of 14 minutes, 48.68 seconds, more than six seconds better than the previous school record. Jamie Buchholtz and the 4x400-meter relay team also reached provisional qualifiers.

Buchholtz won the pole vault, recording a leap of 15 feet, 5.50 inches. The relay team of John Hanson, Troy Wyatt, Dustin Green, and Billy Busch finished third in a time of 3:21.40.

As a team, Stout placed seventh with 53.50 points. The Blue Devils will host the UW-Stout Invitational Friday, Feb. 26 at 4 p.m.

Gymanstics

The UW-Stout Gymnastics Team flirted with 100 points again, but came up just short as they dropped a 132.25-97.45 decision Wednesday, Feb. 17 at UW-Eau Claire in the final dual meet of the season.

Brenna Jones notched a couple of second place marks, finishing runner-up on the vault with an 8.55 and on the floor exercise with an 8.65. Jones took the all-around competition with a 32.75, her third best score of the season.

UW-Stout hosts the 26th Annual WIAC Gymnastics Championship this Friday, Feb. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Two-time defending champion UW-La Crosse is considered the favorite, with UW-Oshkosh picked as the top team to challenge the Eagles. The last time these two powerhouses met, La Crosse edged by for the win with a score of 143.875-140.225.

Also competing will be UW-River Falls, UW-Whitewater, and UW-Eau Claire.

Tickets for the Championships will be available at the door. Cost for the one-day event will be $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens, and $2 for students. Stout students are free with a valid UW-Stout ID.

Women's Tennis

Lauren Mader and Lauren Johnson were the only UW-Stout singles players to win a game as the Blue Devils were shut out by St. Thomas, 9-0, in a Spring Season Tennis opener Friday, Feb. 19 at St. Thomas.

Mader dropped a 6-2, 7-5 decision at No. 1 singles to Kasay Biesenstein, and Johnson was upended, 6-0, 6-1, at No. 2 singles by Sara Ziegler.

Stout returns to action Sunday, Feb. 28 when they travel to St. Mary's in Winona, MN.

The Agenda

UW-Stout's Upcoming Sports Schedule

Men's Basketball
Sat. Feb. 27 7 p.m.
at UW-Platteville
WIAC Championship game
WMEQ radio, 880AM

Gymnastics
Fri. Feb. 26 7 p.m.
WIAC Championships, here

Track and Field
Fri. Feb. 26 4 p.m.
UW-Stout Invitational, here

Women's Basketball
Thurs. Feb. 25 TBA
at UW-Oshkosh, semi-final play

Women's Tennis
Sun. Feb. 28 1 p.m.
at St. Mary's University (MN)

Women's Club Hockey
Sat. Feb. 27 8 p.m.
vs. Carleton College, here

Men's Club Volleyball
Sat. Feb. 27 9 a.m.
at UW-River Falls Tournament

Rugby Team puts new spin on Ice Bowl

Submitted by UW-Stout Men's Rugby Club

The UW-Stout Men's Rugby Football Club competed in the 22nd Annual Arctic Fest Rugby Tournament, the nation's largest snow rugby tournament. The two-day event, held the weekend of Feb. 13-14, was played on several fields, all which were covered in a foot of snow and ice just outside of Stevens Point, WI. Stout's squad played extremely well, finishing fifth out of 20 teams. After throttling the Peoria (IL) Piggies, Stout handed a loss to the Milwaukee Harlequins.

One of the Rugby Team's only two losses went at the hands of perennial champoins UW-Stevens Point in an over-time sudden death decision. As compensation to Stout's loss, Stevens Point eventually went on to win the tourmnament.

The team's second loss was another sudden death match against the Lake County (IL) Shamrocks.

Due to the open format of the tournament, collegiate and city sponsored teams were competing in the same divisions against one another. UW-Stout was the only collegiate team able to advance to the second day of competition. UW-Whitewater, UW-Eau Claire, UW-River Falls, Northern Michigan University, and Marquette University (WI) were all eliminated early in the first round of play on Saturday.

Only three men contributed to Stout's scoring for the weekend. Shaun Dudenhoeffer, Chad Elert, and Brad Wollenzien all scored tries, the equivalent of a touchdown in traditional football. The tries scored by Dudenhoeffer and Elert were their firsts since becoming members of the Rugby Football Club.

The newcomers will be considered for Zulu Warrior status in recognition of their efforts. The Zulu honor is a UW-Stout Rugby Football Club tradition given only to a select group of rookie players who prove their worth on the team. It is a cherished and sacred secret ceremony often held unannounced to reward the achievements of the unsuspecting players.

The Men's Rugby Club will hold indoor practices until Spring Break and will resume outdoor practices on March 22. A recruiting meeting will be held in Ballroom C of the Student Center at 7:15 p.m. on Wednesday, March 10. All students interested in the camaraderie of a full contact sport are welcome to join without any experience. Interested players may also e-mail the team at mensrugby@uwstout.edu.

The team also posts a website at www.rugby.uwstout.edu that lists a full schedule, gives player profiles, and contains an authentic and very entertaining summary of the rules and rituals of rugby.

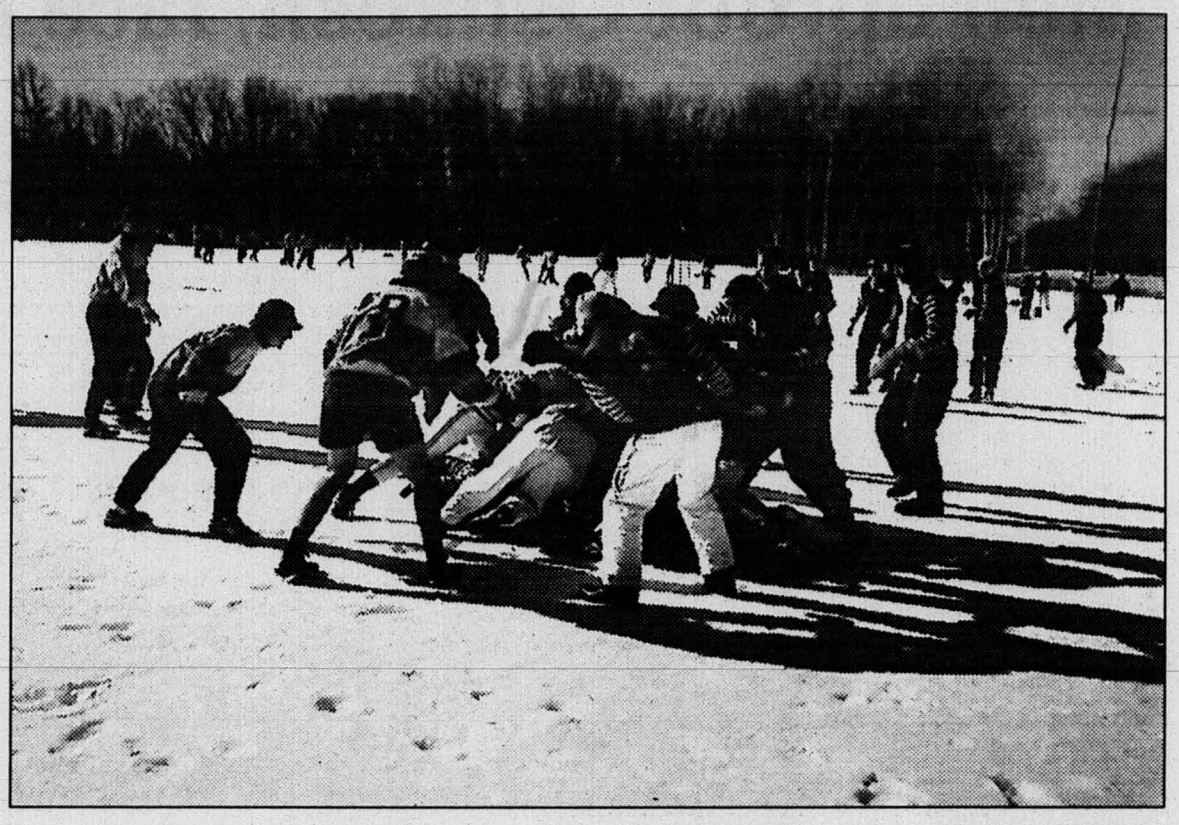


Photo submitted by Rich Sawyer, *Men's Rugby Football Club*

Not since the Packers and the Cowboys squared off in the 1967 NFC Championship has a teamof full contact craving crushers slipped around so much with the pigskin. The Men's Rugby Football Club tried to stay on their feet during the 22nd Annual Arctic Fest and managed to fare incredibly well against both collegiate and city leagues. Shorts were optional.

Women's Club Hockey Finale:
The last chance to catch hockey action on the UW-Stout campus will be this Saturday at 8 p.m. when the Blue Devils host Carleton College at the Dunn County Ice Arena. Pay your final respects to local hockey until next season.

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Men's Volleyball slumps in inconsistent National Intercollegiate rankings

Submitted by Men's Club Volleyball

The Stout Men's Volleyball Team was a little confused by the new rankings that listed them 23rd after posting a 19-2 game record, just two days after beating 11th ranked Mankato State University.

Stout used their frustration to fuel the fire of their offensive domination over the conference this weekend. Stout played in the Eau Claire Invitational this past Sunday and dominated the field beating Eau Claire 15-0, 15-4 to start a 13-hour day of volleyball.

The Northern Intercollegiate Volleyball Conference sent a record eight teams to Nationals last year. No other conference has sent as many. Four of those teams, including Stout, finished in the top 25 and two made it to the final four. The problem is similar to that faced by the Women's Volleyball program at Stout. The problem lies with the National Ranking Committee, who demands an equal representation of the country in the national tournament. This does not always allow for the the best teams to showcase the best talent in the nation.

Since the new rankings, the Men's Volleyball team has gone undefeated, beating UW-River Falls at home last Friday and several teams in the championship round of last Sunday's tournament. The Blue Devils 22-1 match, 53-6 game record is now the best start in the club's history at Stout.

Stout's next match up will be this Saturday at UW-River Falls. The tournament will begin at 9 a.m. and should conclude around 7 p.m. Entrance to the game is free, so make the trip to cheer on Stout's record shattering squad.

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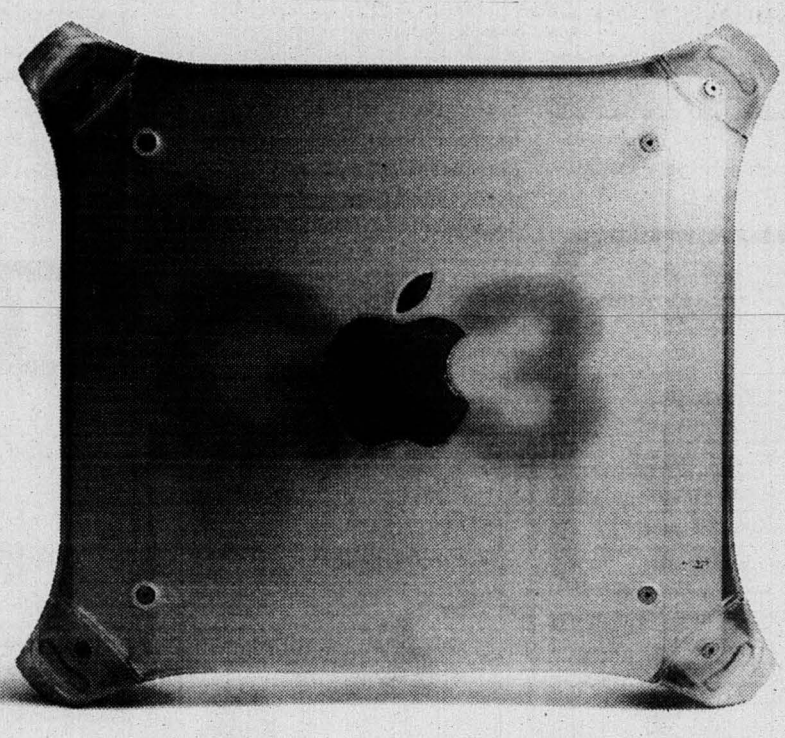
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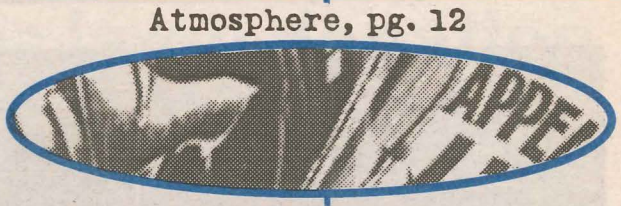
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Parking system under scrutiny

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Space, or lack there of, is the number one complaint of UW-Stout students and faculty, according to a May 1997 Stout Parking System Survey. A team was formed of mostly staff and faculty, and some SSA representatives to assess how well Stout was doing with their current parking system.

While according to the report, "parking at Stout is handled very well given the constraints," issues have arisen about assigned spaces located throughout campus lots. Feedback from this survey indicates that most respondents liked the trial experiment in which Lot 14 (near the Communications Center) was stripped of assigned spaces last year.

SSA Off-Campus Senator and Parking Appeals Board member Glenn Perry agrees. But he thinks the current system indicates more than just inefficient parking, it's an inequality.

"There's a definite inequity between teacher and student parking. At peak hours 150 spots for faculty are sitting open while students can't find a parking spot," he said.

Perry wants to see a system similar to UW-Eau Claire's in which both faculty and students are sold a permit for the same amount and then are able to park on a first come, first served basis. This avenue, he believes, will force faculty and students to be treated the same.

In an SSA survey of 727 faculty and students, 70 percent felt parking is not evenly split between the two groups and 69 percent said they are willing to pay slightly more if they could park in any lot on campus. One surveyed said, "As paying customers who go to Stout we should not have to pay for parking that is so far away and faculty and instructors get it right up close."

Dennis Shaw, Director of Security and Police Services, believes this open permit system could work, but students haven't come forward with their wishes. At several open forums held last semester, with a turnout of mostly faculty and staff, it was indicated that the optimal plan would be to provide staff permits that are also good in student lots. Essentially, staff would then have their pick of where to park and the situation for students would remain unchanged.

Several other plans were presented at the open forum, including to combine all faculty parking permits into one rather than the current system of offering three levels of passes to faculty. Another option is to develop a "zone" parking system where the privilege of parking closest to campus buildings will be costly to motorists. At the extreme end, remote lots with shuttle services to campus was also discussed.

Four out of the five options presented at the forum, according to Perry, will benefit faculty and staff while only one, the open permit system, is in the interest of students. Representing off-campus students, he believes the option of opening all campus lots to faculty that won out in last semester's forums, is the least unfair. "I am not happy with that option. It's not a fair option," he said. "Faculty want to park close to where they work, but this is a customer-oriented place."

An OASIS member (Organization of Adult Students Involved at Stout), who wished not to be identified, would like to see changes in parking. Regarding assigned spots for faculty and staff, she said, "We have to walk, why shouldn't they?"

The Parking Office's recommendations will be brought to the Campus Physical Development Committee on March 12. According to Shaw, it may even come down to cutting off parking to all freshmen students, a practice now at UW-River Falls and other UW schools.

SSA plans to draft a resolution next week, pushing for the open parking system or something very similar. For now, it is hoped students will provide SSA and the Parking Office with their input.

The already volatile issue may heat up again when the Parking Office considers plans to deal with the loss of faculty and student lots when the new Communications Center and Recreation Complex arrive in 2001.



Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

Student parking is tight on campus, often causing hazards such as this one. During peak times, cars wait in line for a spot in Lot 19 near the Student Center, often extending into 10th Avenue. The Stout Parking Office is reviewing its current system to assess how it could be made more efficient.

Black Student Union Ball



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

The 3rd annual BSU Ball turned out a crowd of160 to170 people. Entertainment for the ball included a jazz band, Chameleon, Tikki Bar DJ, John Davies, and Minneapolis dancers called D Underbelly, pictured above. The dancers' name represents the underside of the ship that transported Africans to America.

Board of Regents control tuition cost

by Christine Schofer
Staff Repoter

Gov. Tommy Thompson has recently proposed the state budget in which the Board of Regents will have expenditure authority over the additional tuition that Wisconsin universities receive. Also included in this bill is a 66 million dollar investment into the University of Wisconsin System. As to the highly publicized raise in tuition costs for students, Thompson's Press Secretary Darrin Schmitz says that "the tuition increase won't be double-digited like some people feared. It will not be huge as most suspect it will."

"Governor Thompson's budget commits a ratio of funding to the UW System that hasn't been in existence before. It will increase student aid by 12 percent over the next two years." Schmitz adds that UW-Stout's Graphic Communications program will get one million dollars in funding. Funding distribution for the entire UW System will include12 million for library improvements, three million to the enhancement of international education, two million to student career advising, and five million to instructional technology.

UW-Madison is also receiving a healthy 30 million dollars for its biotechnology program, intended to provide for its expensive cutting edge research and faculty, among its other facets. Spending emphasis is being placed as well on reaching nontraditional, minority, and disabled students.

John Enger of University Relations explains about the Board of Regents. "For example, if UW-Stout gets 100 or more extra students in a given year, it gets without question extra tuition than it had formerly planned. But what the university does with that additional tuition money is the Board of Regents' business." The Boar's members are appointed by Governor Thompson and approved by senate in an attempt to provide a buffer between university and political agendas.



Photo by Lisa Harris, *Photography Editor*

International Week started off last week with a presentation entitled "A Portrait of a South Tropical Country." This was the first event among many this week to promote the understanding of different cultures at Stout.

International Week celebrates culture

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

UW-Stout is celebrating different cultures during the week of March 1-6. The goal of this week, properly named International Week, is to create understanding and awareness of the diversity here on campus.

On Monday, March 1, international students put on a presentation called "A Portrait of a South Tropical Country" in the Memorial Student Center.

The next event is scheduled for Wednesday, March 3. It is the showing of "Europa Europa." This movie is spoken in German with English subtitles.

Finally, Saturday March 6 will bring the conclusion of International Week. Cultural exhibits and socializing will go on from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. International Stout students will bring in various articles such as clothing, photographs, and books as representations of their countries.

During the exhibit, guests will have the opportunity to view the displays and address questions or comments to the presenters. Since all of the students displaying exhibits are attending Stout, it is a great chance to meet new people on campus with different backgrounds.

After the cultural exhibits, a dinner is being held in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center.

The meal will consist of two entrees, various salads, vegetables, and desserts from around the world. A few items to be served include a Chinese chicken dish with cashews, a Korean stir-fry with hot sauce, and Russian tea cakes, not to mention many other dishes.

Tickets to the dinner can be purchased at the Service Desk in the Memorial Student Center. The cost for students and children age 12 and under is $7.95. Tickets for non-students will be $11.95.

International events

Cultural Exhibit
and social hour
4:30-6:30 p.m.
&
International Buffet
5:45 p.m.

March 6
Great Hall, MSC

Modem shortage causing delays

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

Accessing the Internet is harder than ever for off-campus students. This makes a trip down to the computer lab in Micheels Hall a regular occurrence for students to get material quickly. If living on campus, access may be much easier. Little does that help the population of students living out of the dorms fighting to dial onto the Internet.

Students put a portion of their tuition into paying a technology fee in order to have high quality technology, including a computer system. The modems used for dialing the Internet off campus are high quality, but because of the few number of modems, compared to the number of people given access to them, a busy signal may be more frequently seen than the access signal.

Only 80 modems are supplied to staff, faculty, and students, along with retired staff and faculty, to access the Internet when not in a computer lab on campus. Each modem only allows one person to access it at a time. This makes it virtually impossible to gain access whenever needed. Some students and faculty off campus spend more time trying to log on than they actually do on the Internet researching. On average, 400 calls receive busy signals each day. Students living on campus, in the dorms, are at the advantage fulfilled logging on to the Internet, and they are able to access much the same as they would in any other computer lab on campus.

A meeting was held to review proposals for better remote access on Tuesday. Jim Galloy, a telecommunication and networking employee, and Bill Siedlecki met to see if proposals met the proper criteria. A total of 14 proposals met requirements and will be looked at by the Technology Committee in the next few weeks.

The technology fee budget has a little over $180,000 to work with. All together, the proposals are asking for approximately $260,000 dollars, ranging anywhere from $5,000 dollars to $55,000 dollars.

Only a few proposals are asking for the same as previous years, which leaves a great deal of options open. One proposal being reviewed will hopefully install more modems with faster equipment to allow downloading processes to be quicker, getting people off the Internet sooner. Decisions should be finalized in late March or early April. "We want to make a decision quickly but want the best quality and price." Galloy said.

Until a proposal is voted on, quick access to the super highways off campus won't happen any time soon unless students, staff, and faculty have the time and patience to wait. Better luck may lie in finding a computer lab on campus to do research from if in a hurry for information.

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Former Stout student takes group on Navy assault ship

by Tom Updike and Rich Hens, Navy Public Affairs

Recently, Jeffrey Strey, a UW-Stout graduate, gave his uncle a hands-on opportunity in which few civilians get to participate.

Tom Biermaier accompanied Marine Capt. Strey on a "Tiger Cruise," held on board the amphibious assault ship USS Essex. Guests joined members for the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (15th MEU) in Hawaii as they returned from the Arabian Gulf en route to Camp Pendleton, which is approximately 50 miles North of San Diego.

The Essex and two other amphibious assault ships of the Essex Amphibious Ready Group (ARG), along with the 15th MEU, recently returned from a highly successful forward deployment to the waters of the Indian Ocean, Arabian Gulf, and the Western Pacific.

Strey, the 34-year-old 1988 graduate of Stout, and his fellow marines aboard the Essex hosted more than 600 family members and friends on a Tiger Cruise last December. Strey said it was a great feeling to have this opportunity on the last leg of their six-month-long deployment.

"It's enjoyable," said Strey, who earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology.

Strey, a 10-year Marine Corps veteran, is a company commander. He is responsible for the operations of a weapons company battalion landing team.

Tiger Cruises are a navel tradition. When a ship returns from an overseas deployment, the last leg of the journey is set aside for friends and relatives to ride home with the ship. The program, called Operation Tiger, is meant to increase community awareness of the Navy, and its numbers exceed 6,000 per year.

"People who don't get a chance to see and experience events with the military, get a chance to see what we do firsthand. This ensures positive exposure and stories about the military," Strey said.

The 15th MEU is a multicapable combat force made up of ground, air, and service elements. Equipped with a variety of weapons and artillery, helicopters, AV-8B Harrier jump jets, air-cushioned landing craft, tanks, jeeps, and other vehicles, the MEU is capable of carrying on extended amphibious operations against adversaries.

Biermaier described the experience of being with the 15th MEU on board the USS Essex.

"It's an honor. It is truly a great opportunity to get a brief view of what military life can be like."

After seeing firsthand the 15th MEU and Essex's capabilities to bring a strong military presence to potential crisis anywhere in the world, Biermaier recognizes the importance of the Navy having Tiger Cruise programs. "I believe in traveling with the country's best: the Marines has left me with a positive experience."



Photo courtesy of Navy Public Affairs Center

CKTO RA resignation causes controversy

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Repoter

Ryan Gillson, the residential advisor on fourth Kransuch, was released from duty last week due to questionable behavior relating to alcohol.

According to Chris Michalok, Gillson's former roommate, he was a great advisor and friend to all of the residents on the floor.

"More than anything, this occurred because the RAs in this building have decided to wage war on each other," said Michalok.

At this time, CKTO's Hall Director Jake Preston wishes not to release the details leading to Gillson's resignation.

Additional information will be available next week.

Graduate makes large donation

Submitted by UW-Stout University Relations

A former UW-Stout student has presented a $25,000 gift to the university in recognition of the excellent assistance he received from a staff member, Mary Riordan, Multicultural/Disadvantaged Coordinator, while he was a student. This gift will provide services for students of color or students with disabilities.

Chancellor Charles Sorensen said that the donor was a member of both groups and felt that services offered in writing assistance, academic monitoring, personal counseling, and intervention with faculty made a difference in his life. "He wants to make a difference for others," Sorensen said.

The gift will be administered by Riordan, who works with students as they acclimate to the university.

Students can receive academic support in study skills, tutoring in writing and other subjects, and also participate in social programming and student organizations.

About 200-250 students participate in some type of programming each year.

"The funds will be used to help students who need additional assistance," Pinckney Hall, Dean of Students, said. "Riordan will hold focus meetings with the students to identify specific needs of students of color and those with disabilities, and implement the ideas during Semester II of 1998-99."

Madison protestors victorious in sweatshop scandal

by Karen Kersting
Wisconsin State Journal

After four days of protest by about 100 students, UW-Madison Chancellor David Ward on Friday agreed to try to increase the university's control over the manufacure of licensed apparel.

The students have been attempting for a year to ensure that sweatshirts and T-shirts with Bucky Badger printed on them are not produced by people working in substandard conditions.

Earlier this month, Ward had said he would sign a proposed "sweatshop code" that was developed by a task force of universities including UW-Madison. Students protested that the code was not strong enough.

On Friday, Ward signed a written agreement with the student protestors. That agreement will establish UW-Madison's stand that the Collegiate Licensing Co. (CLC), which oversees the manufacturing of apparel with any UW-Madison insignia on it should guarantee the apparel isn't produced by sweatshop labor.

That agreement says that the CLC must disclose information on where apparel is made, guarantee that workers are making enough money to live, and protect the rights of workers, most of whom are women.

The chancellor also agreed to establish a committee of students, faculty members, and staff to advise the CLC.

If the CLC does not comply, Ward said, the university will withdraw its participation.

"We've moved from an ageement on principle to agreement on the details," Ward said.

Students, who earlier in the day had banged on the walls of the chancellor's office to get him to meet with them, rejoiced in their victory.

A sit-in leader, Ben Manski, said he was just trying to control his swell of elation as it became clear that the protesters' demands would be met.

"The fact that we were able to, through social protest, bring positive change is a commentary on the changing nature of our time and depth of spirit of students on campus," he said.

"We were able to accomplish something that hasn't been done in years."

Manski said the sweatshop agreement marked the end of a period of organizing that started when activists became alarmed that the UW Board of Regents had signed a contract in 1996 with Reebok to exclusively supply athletic apparel.

"This is an issue that has been deeply buried in the community since Reebok was signed," he said.

Manski, a long time campus activist, said he was especially pleased with the sit-in because it served as an opportunity for students to learn about democracy.

"I'm a big believer that people learn best through first-hand experience and the best way to learn about democracy is to do it," he said. "This is an example of people becoming leaders."

Ward said the sit-in may have a positive effect on campust relations.

"Idealism and the undergraduate experience go hand in hand," Ward said.

"But it is important to realize that this is not the only way idealism and communication happens on this campus."

UW-Madison student Ben Runkle said the sit-in was an example of postive activism on campuses across the country.

"It's all about a growing activism in students," he said.

"It's all about students who come to campus jaded because they think nothing is going on, and now, they are doing this. People just want to know they can make a difference."

What had been a small crowd of 50 or so sleeping in Bascom Hall Monday night grew to more than 100 by Thursday.

UW-Madison student Rich Gibson said many of those 100 were freshmen.

"I think that there are people here to learn and get a feeling about something they have only been able to romanticize about," he said.

"But they also want to actualize their role on campus and be a part of making change."

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

Storm damages the Pacific Northwest

On Wednesday, a storm struck the Pacific Northwest region of the country. One person was killed in Washington due to the severe weather, while strong winds and high waves flooded coastal towns, causing a power outage to more than 200,000 customers. In the south, residents are recovering from severe thunderstorms and tornadoes. Seven tornadoes swept through Texas alone. Storm victims across the country are now recovering and cleaning up their property.

Redwoods saved

Redwood trees in a forest near Sacramento, California have been saved from becoming lumber. The state and federal government agreed with the timber company that owns the area, Pacific Lumber Company, that the government will spend $480 million to buy the Headwaters Forest and protect the trees as part of a public preserve. The Headwaters Forest has the largest privately-owned section of ancient redwood trees in the United States, with some dating back 2,000 years.

Hot air balloon team setting record

Two British men, Andy Elson and Colin Prescot, are attempting the first nonstop round-the-world balloon trip. On Tuesday night, they reached Thailand, which puts them nearly halfway through the 18,000-mile journey. Rival balloonists, Switzerland's Bertrand Piccard and Britain's Brian Jones, began their own race. The first team to make it around the world is being offered a $1 million prize from Anheuser-Busch.

Prayer in public schools

In Houston, a federal appeals court ruled that only limited prayer is allowed at high school functions such as graduation, but student-led prayers at other events are considered unconstitutional. The Liberty Legal Institute supports prayer in the schools, and has called the ruling "an outrage."

Millenium Bug

A meeting was held on Wednesday to discuss the occurence of the Millenium Bug. It seems that no one is totally ready for its appearance. Some major concerns are electricity/water, transportation, health care, telecommunications and security.

Pentium III

Last week Intel introduced its new Pentium III chip. This chip is promoted for bringing a faster and smoother Web experience. This will also increase game play and other multimedia programs. Pentium III is the most powerful PC chip released to date.

University Notes

Compiled by Kelly Neidt from Submitted News Releases

Scholarships offered

Menomonie Area Working Women (MAWW) is offering two $250 scholarships this spring to non-traditional female students who live, work, or attend a post-secondary school in Dunn County. Candidates must be at least 25 years old and have returned to school to further their education. Applications must be in before March 29, and are available outside office 126E in Harvey Hall. For additional information or to have an application mailed, contact Sarah Williamson at 232-2367.

Ecumenical prayer services

Prayer services are being held every Wednesday throughout Lent, from 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. in the Commons Sunken Lounge. The services are given by The Ministry to UW-Stout.

Open audition

An open audition will be held for the student-directed presentation of "Death Defying Acts," a dark comedy. The auditions will be on Monday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. in the Harvey Hall Theater. The play will have performances on May 8, 9, 10, and 11. If you have questions, call Mike at x-3340.

Special Olympics fundraiser

Give a hug to Special Olympics! Inter Greek Council is looking for donations in the Memorial Student Center March 1 - 5 and March 8 - 11. Any organization raising $25 or more will have their name put in the Leader-Telegram, Dunn County News, and the Stoutonia. If you have questions, call Karen at 233-3241.

Recapalooza coming soon

University Recreation is sponsoring the second annual Recapalooza on March 23. Recapalooza is a spectacle of sporting games, inflatable games, and carnival games of skill for all students, staff, and faculty. The event will be from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Police Beat

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Found property

A grounds supervisor turned over a Murray wildrose girls 18-speed bicycle. It was recovered from up a tree east of Price Commons. The bike appeared in good shape and was put in storage.

Theft

On Sunday, Feb. 28, several cars were broken into in lot #32. The cars' passenger side windows were smashed and several pieces of stereo equipment and clothes were stolen. At this time there are no known suspect(s) or witnesses.

Fire alarm/actual fire

On Thursday, Feb. 25, the fire alarm in HKMC went off. Upon investigation a totally melted down coffee maker was discovered. It seems a resident had turned it on and had fallen asleep. When his roommate woke up, he found the machine engulfed in flames. The fire was dowsed and no one was injured.

Suspicious person

An officer responded to a call that a white male was yelling racial obscenities on the fourth floor of HKMC. When residents were asked, they stated that he covered his face while yelling the obscenities then left. The officer was unable to locate the subject.

Citations

For the week of Feb. 22-28, there was one citation issued for public urination and six for underage drinking.



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International Dinner
Saturday, March 6

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4:30 p.m. Ballrooms B and C
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International Buffet Dinner
5:45 p.m. Great Hall, Memorial Student Center

Entertainment by UW-Stout International Students

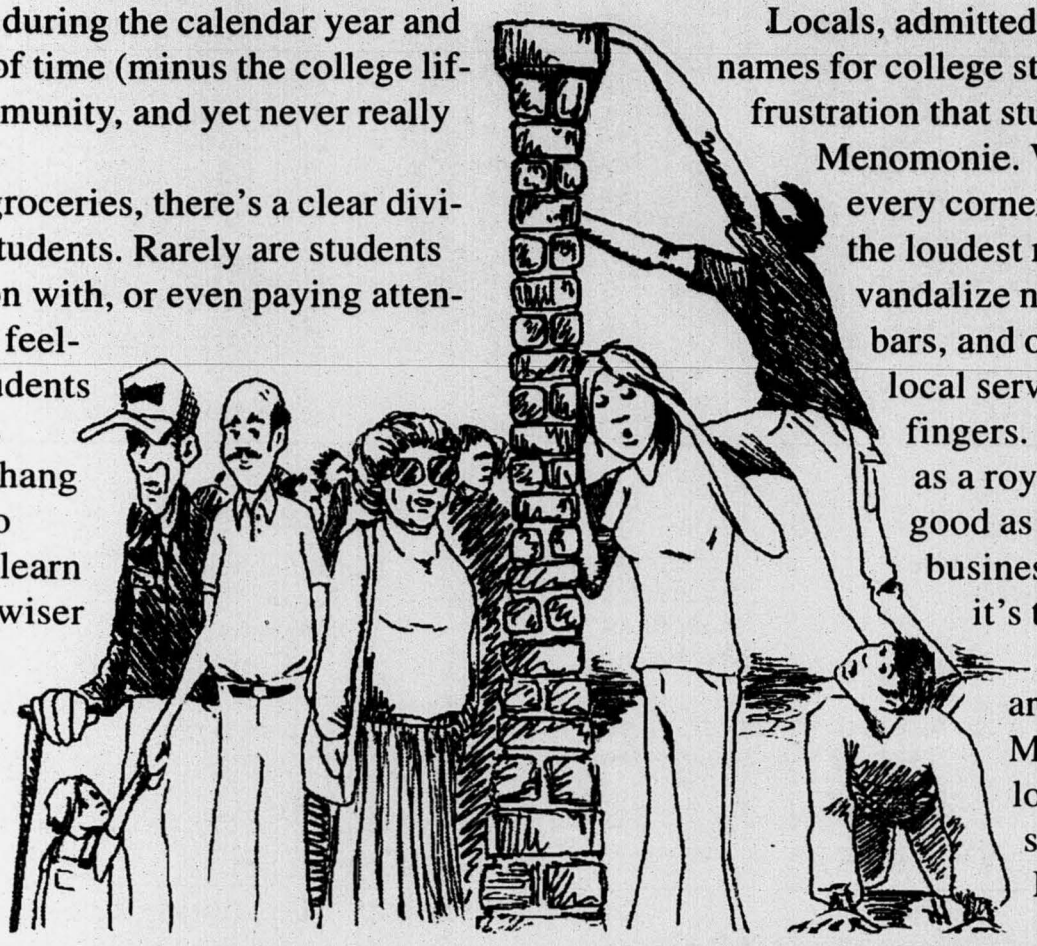
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Editorial

The Great Wall of Menomonie

Townies versus students, like water to chocolate. We are in the precarious situation of representing half of Menomonie's population during the calendar year and for a fairly short amount of time (minus the college lifers). We are part of a community, and yet never really are accepted as such.

At the bars or buying groceries, there's a clear division between locals and students. Rarely are students seen having a conversation with, or even paying attention to townspeople. The feeling is that us scholarly students are light years beyond the townie level- too good to hang out at different bars, get to know fascinating people, learn from those that are much wiser than us. Sad. Students are missing out on getting to know who they live with and around, and who often make this university what it is. After all, a large amount of business owners contribute to Stout scholarships, support campus events, and provide special deals to student customers. These store owners and community members genuinely seem to like having college students around, so they help out.



Locals, admittedly, do have their own choice names for college students and often voice their frustration that students don't really care about Menomonie. We litter the ground, loiter on every corner, drive like maniacs, listen to the loudest music with the harshest bass, vandalize neighborhoods, take over the bars, and obnoxiously complain when local services aren't at the snap of our fingers. Some do see college students as a royal pain in the ass and only as good as the money they bring into businesses. But that doesn't mean it's the prevailing view.

So get to know those around you; they're half of Menomonie, and five years is a long time to feel like an outsider. Despite its faults, Menomonie is home to some of the most hard working people and has the unique situation of having an ever-evolved scene as students trail in and out. Hey, it's not Los Angeles; no one will bite when you say hello.

Back to the simple life

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

Jamie Dean
Columnist

In todays world it's easy to take for granted those little things that make our lives easier, but we should not forget that the concept of technology, from its simplest form to its most complex, is primarily to aid us in our everyday lives.

Some people spend their lives inventing gadgets, labor-saving devices, and designing computer programs. After getting consumed by a vision, any single vision, life becomes one-dimensional and superficial.

Right now, in 1999, we have been foretold of the impending technological apocalypse, known as the Millennium Bug. This is something that was only allowed to happen because the guys who designed all the systems at the start got a little ahead of themselves. They built a magnificent skyscraper on crumbling foundations.

At the very least, the bug is going to put a lot of people out of business, and at its worst it has the potential to shut down essential national and international services and systems. So what happened? Were we too trusting to look a gift horse in the mouth? When businesses all started to go digital, I guess it was a pretty enthusiastic time, but now a lot of people, particularly small businesses, are seriously regretting it.

The Millennium Bug may or may not prove to be as big as the hype that has surrounded it . Many of the larger corporations have already taken steps to ensure their survival in the financial climate of the twenty-first century, but it's enough to get you thinking - do we really need cell phones, beepers, pagers, laptop computers? All these peripherals don't really make anybody's life a whole lot easier; in fact they have the opposite effect - they make life more complicated. They're just another thing to worry about, another thing that could go wrong. Communicatioal technology taken to its logical extremes makes life into an abstraction of itself!

I'm not a complete technophobe. I can admit that in some areas of my life the progress of technology has made my life easier, allowing the daily routine to flow that much more smoothly. I think it would be healthier if people were a little more suspicious of the latest technological breakthrough that experts say is going to revolutionize life.

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Customer service training necessary

Superior customer service is the backbone to the success of all companies. Companies expect their employees to provide top-notch customer service. Is that always the case? Certainly not! Most companies want to provide excellent customer service, but are not willing to put up the time or money for training. This is obvious, because we have experienced bad customer service over and over in our lives. Customer service training doesn't come cheap. Let's face it — the more training that people have, the better they will adapt in everyday life.

Eddie Mullins
Columnist

Customer service training is something that must be done continuously in the service industry. It doesn't start and stop after that first day of orientation training. It should be kept up at least once or twice a month with all employees within an organization. The kind of training that I'm talking about is not the two most famous lines in customer service, "the customer is always right" and "treat a customer the way that you would want to be treated". This training has to go a little further than that.

A lot of companies feel that good customer service training includes those boring training videos that everyone hates to no end. The kind of training that I'm talking about is to bring the professionals in, people who have made it their careers to train top quality customer service representatives. This type of training is more beneficial and has a larger impact, more like a class for credit. What some companies are starting to do is sending their employees to classes at the local college for real customer service education. If you never provide your employees with total quality customer service training, you can expect the results to be less than perfect.

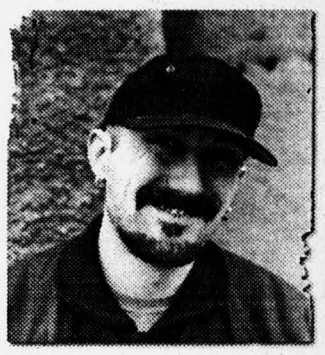
When I speak of customer service I'm speaking from experience. I spent four years as a merchandise buying manager for JC Penney. JC Penney is a company that strives for top-rated customer service, so much that it's a large part of their mission statement: "To serve the public as nearly as well as we can to its complete satisfaction. To expect for the service we render a fair renuneration, and not all the profit the traffic will bear. To do all in our power to pack the customer's dollar full of value, quality and satisfaction. To continue to train ourselves and our associates so that the service we give will be more and more intelligently performed. . ." To achieve success in business you must provide top quality standards, and CUSTOMER SERVICE.



Campus Slant

Taking the pulse of the campus

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"Being afraid of one's own fecal matter."

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"Being afraid of carnies."

Martha Groettum
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"Being scared of turbo."

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"Scared of streaking your underwear."

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Answer: the fear of having a painful bowel movement

Next Week's Question: "Should High School Wrestling Be Co-ed?"

Campus Slant is compiled by KEVIN HAYES. If you would like to be in Campus Slant, e-mail us at: stoutonia@post.uwstout.edu

Letters

I am a student at Stout and student representative on the appeals board at Stout. I have been fighting for equal justice on the board regarding a citation that was given to a female student in parking Lot 5. If you don't know where Lot 5 is, it is the lot farthest away from campus, next to the Johnson Fieldhouse.

This particular citation has grabbed my attention because it is a continuing problem at Stout with regard to the lighting in the parking lots that are set for the students. The lots that are set for faculty are so lit up. This I find ridiculous, considering the students that have to walk from south campus all the way to north campus housing get much less light.

This student had come back to the campus late in the evening (between 11 a.m.-1 a.m.) and there were no parking spaces toward the front of Lot 5. She proceeded to the rear of the lot and noticed that there were 3 or 4 lights out (and even with all the lights working that lot is not that greatly lit anyway). So being a little nervous and scared, she parked in the end of a row in the grass.

After receiving her citation she personally appealed it. She explained to us what happened, and I was amazed at what I heard from the other board members, saying things like it was not that bad and the lights only flickered, and that one board member could even read a business card in his vehicle with the lights out. To this, I was amazed because I took a legal pad out and wrote in one-inch letters in my window van and I could not read it at all. I explained this and that Stout was at fault, so was the parking office for not doing what we pay for here at Stout and to the Parking Office over and above tuition.

I was out-voted; they believed that although parking and Stout were at fault, she should not take the action into her own hands because it would be a bad precedent to other students. (God, let's not start a new precedent.)

I was upset and went to the newspapers and had a meeting with the chancellor and Diane Moen. After an investigation, I received a letter from the chancellor stating he was going to send this back to the appeals board to look at. I was very thankful and figured that if the chancellor said it needed to be looked at, maybe the rest of the board would finally realize that it was not the girl's fault, but parking and Stout's fault. I could not have been further from the truth.

I would like to turn to you the students and especially the women groups. Stand up and say this is not right.

We pay a lot of money to go to school here and we also pay a lot of money to park here. If we can't feel safe then the school should be doing something about it and not giving out citations for trying to be safe on our own.

Glenn Perry

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Women putting their stamp on America

by Sara Blarek
Staff Reporter

March 1999 marks the arrival of Women's History Month. This year's theme is "Women Putting Our Stamp on America," emphasizing the many unique ways women have influenced American society and culture. Women's History Month will be observed throughout the country; programs, ceremonies, and activities are being planned as a part of the theme.

Stout students gathered at two events earlier this week to recognize this celebration. On Wednesday, March 3, Huff's presented "Frozen in Time" with Midwest musician Hope McLeod, who reiterates the lives of early Wisconsin women through stories, songs, and projected photos.

"Off the Wall: The Life and Works of Charlotte Perkins Gilman was performed on Thursday, March 4, by actress Ann Timmons. This theatre piece told the story of Perkins Gilman crusading for women's rights and social justice at the beginning of the 20th Century. Gilman was one of the first American female economists of the 20th century who questioned an economy that denied women a part in economic and social life. "Yellow Wallpaper," one of her famous works, was published about 100 years ago.

There will be several on-campus events later in the month for students to attend. On Wednesday, March 24 the "Celebration of Women and Leadership Conference" will feature concurrent sessions, networking, and guest speaker Jeanne Faraca of Wisconsin Public Radio.

Workshops and discussions in recognition of Women's History Month will be held on Monday, March 22, led by Cheryl Becker, Department of Psychology, and will cover gender differences in success research. And on Monday, March 29, entitled the "Rick Martin Workshop on Basic Self Defense."

Several networks are celebrating the month in their own styles.

During the first week of March, HBO television will present, "Dare to Compete," a 125-year history of women in sports. Lifetime Television will air two "Intimate Portrait" programs, featuring Eleanor Roosevelt, Bella Abzug, and other American heroes. The History Channel will air several women's history programs throughout March, including topics such as women spies during WWII, and the "Mercury 13" women astronauts.

According to Dr. Janet Polansky, Stout Director of Women's Studies, men as well as women should pay attention to Women's History Month. "The two genders need to read from the same page in their expectations and goals for their lives, especially as we head towards the 21st Century. Women's History Month is a celebration designated to achieve discussion and recognition, particularly at the end of a century of community and its leadership," Polansky said.

A yearly study of college freshmen shows attitudes about womens' roles have changed over the years. When asked if married women should be confined to the home in 1966, 44.3 percent agreed that they should. Today only 19 percent of freshmen agree.

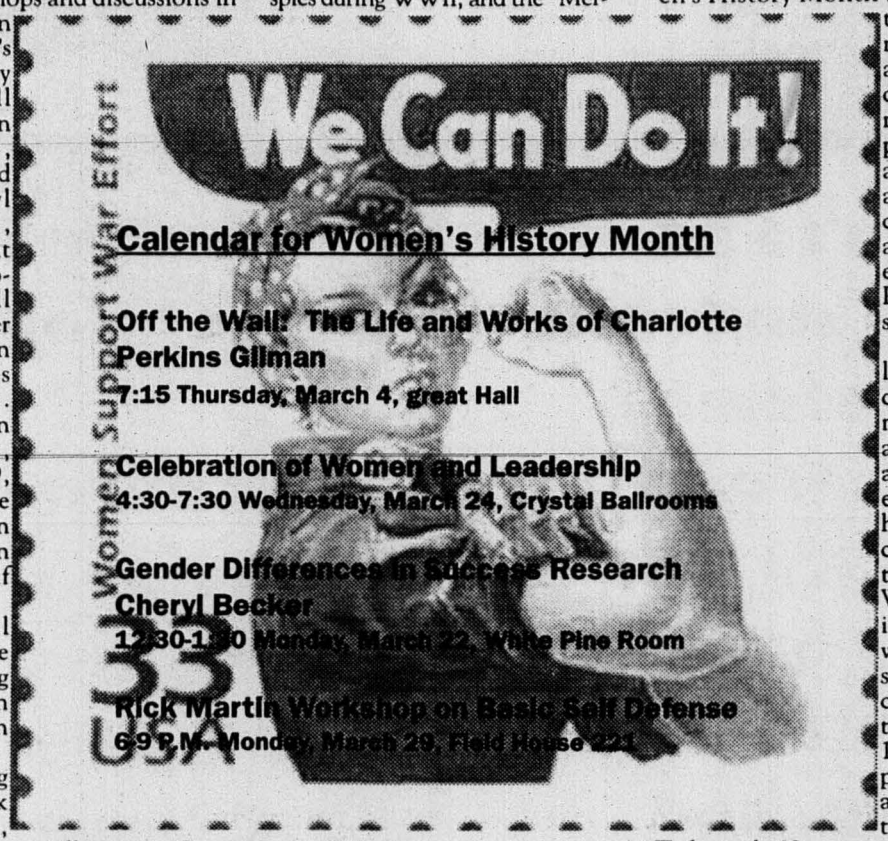
"I can see why women feel that they need to designate a history month for themselves, the other 11 months are for men," said Brent Bartel, senior.

The roots of Women's History Month were planted in 1978 by the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County, California Commission on the Status of Women who designated the week of March 8 "Women's History Week," with an emphasis on International Women's Day.

Schools exhibited an enthusiastic response to the celebration, and it spread across the nation as a means of achieving equity goals within classrooms.

The National Women's History Project petitioned Congress in 1987 to expand the celebration to the entire month of March. A Congressional Resolution was approved with support in both the House and Senate. Activities, information and exposure for Women's History Month have grown over the years to be recognized by workplaces, communities, and schools.

President Clinton supported Women's History Month in 1998 with a Presidential Proclamation. Part of it reads: "Thanks to the efforts of women leaders, little girls across America today know far fewer limits than did their mothers and grandmothers. But there still remains work to be done to create a more just America, and we must rededicate ourselves to ending the discrimination that women still face. In doing so, we will confirm our conviction that 'We the people' includes us all."



...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents maybe sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. "The fire is in da house" this week.

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

I'm just going to cut to the chase. You know the car problems I was having last week? Well, they just intensified by about two thousand.

I thought I got off easy last week when I found out the reason for my throttle sticking. My cruise control snapped, and since this is connected to the throttle cable, it kept it wide open. So, the shop really didn't have anything to fix. By the time they took in the towing cost, the charge for the car sitting at the shop for two days, and for them to look at it for all of 15 seconds, the bill came to 100 dollars. Meager damage compared to what it could have been. Or should I say, what it eventually would be.



I pick up my car and drive it out of the lot to school, when the battery light goes on. Now I know this is impossible since a brand new battery was just put in my car. In my mind, I see all the past headlines of newspapers saying, "Don't let the shop rip you off." And other catchy statements in articles dealing with car scams. One I remember reading in particular was how shops switch batteries. So, a car coming in with a good one, will drive out with a faulty one. Sounds kind of fishy to me.

Hold on, it gets better. I have my car looked at and find the cable was loose. Once again, I let my imagination run wild. Thank God I have no more car problems. But I spoke too soon. I was driving home from school, and my car slipped out of gear. I thought maybe it was a one-time thing. Do you think I could ever be that lucky?

I had three days until I could bring my car home for my parents to deal with it. My car was so shot I couldn't find reverse from drive. (This of course caused some problems driving). Eventually I used the best technique I knew for this situation. It's called "close your eyes and guess." Sometimes reverse would be neutral and other times it would be drive, but I did eventually find it. (There would be times I would sit in a parking lot for 20 minutes revving my engine).

This whole transmission thing also caused problems when I was driving. I would be driving along, watching the scenery, when oops, my transmission slipped. Oops, slipped again. Overall, it really wasn't that reliable.

I drove home on Saturday crossing my fingers. I made it there without a hitch. My parents let me take home the extra car. This is a white Geo Metro that no one wants to drive. I nicknamed it the Swan Car. I'm not exactly sure why, maybe because it was white? All I know is that it doesn't have power steering- or power. I was on the interstate with the petal to the metal and I was going about 45 mph. Speed demon!

The drive was pretty relaxing (like a Sunday stroll). I thought about how good it was to have taken care of this problem. Now I could go home, take a nice long bath and relax. Ha!

As I get into town, I drive behind three fire trucks, a few

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submitted by Inter Greek Council

Inter Greek Council:
-raising money for Special Olympics in the Student Center, March 1-5 and 8-11
-Start collecting photos for All-Greek slide show
-Remember...G.A.B. meeting every Monday, 7pm

Phi Omega Beta:
-holding a raffle on March 6 at 4 P.M. at the Meet Market bar in Menomonie. Get tickets from any F.O.B member, Jim's Riverside liquor store or Waterfront bar
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Sigma Sigma Sigma:
-Welcome four new members
-Open rush-Tuesday, March 9, 7 P.M., Great Hall B. Contact Jenni Strangis at 233-1052 for details

Phi Sigma Phi:
-Welcome 11 new members
-Thanks to all who attended the spaghetti dinner

Delta Zeta:
-Welcome four new members
-Thanks to everyone who participated in the dry drive fundraiser held Thursday, Feb. 18. Look forward to free drives in April

Gamma Sigma Sigma:
-Thanks to all who gave blood
-Welcome 20 new pledges

Kappa Lamda Beta:
-Thanks to all who participated in ice softball
-Welcome nine new members

Alpha Phi
-Welcome four new members

Chi Lamda:
-Welcome four new members

Words of wisdom:

When you get into a tight place and everything goes against you... never give up then, for that is just the place and time that the tide will turn.

Corner ΓΣΣ ΣΤΓ ΦΣΒ ΣΣΣ ΑΦ ΔΖ

New approach takes the edge off tutoring

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Students have an academic savior on campus, and at no cost.

The lower level of Bowman Hall, room 13, houses a happy, relaxed environment known as the Tutoring Center. The center is a free resource that the UW-Stout campus designed to provide academic services to students having troubles in classes. The students who are working here have taken the courses they tutor and obtained an A- or better.

This year the center has taken a new approach with how they are running the tutoring process. It is set up in a laboratory format as opposed to an appointment format like last year. The center is arranged so that there are designated times the students tuturing are available to help for specific classes.

In over 25 classes and seven areas that the center assists, the span of time that the different tutors work is tailored to fit into students' schedules. The seven areas of assistance include: accounting, biology, economics, physics, mathematics, applied math, and writing.

Those interested in help will receive a schedule of when a tutor for that specific class is at the center. For the classes or areas not covered by the center, they will work with professors to recruit a tutor in that specific area. This is much different from previous years when tutors would call students themselves to set up appointments. In many cases this caused extra hassle and work for the tutors who faced several cancelled appointments.

"This new approach allows students' needs to be met and also gives tutors the dependability of hours," Jeff Richards, Tutoring Center Progam Coordinator, said.

The center has an environment that immediately makes students feel welcome and relaxed. It is a friendly, informal atmosphere that provides students with a feeling of ease about asking questions and getting help. Tutor Bruno Rahn, a senior and Manufacturing Engineering major comments that they do relate well with other students. He actually became roommates with a student he used to tutor.

At first students may feel nervous, but the center insists that after students get to know them and the resource provided, they are greatly pleased.

"I am very proud of the work being done here. It touches my heart to see this," Jean Borgaro, Assistant Coordinator, said.

At the end of the year, professors can nominate those that have grasped concepts best in class to be a tutor.

The center wants all students to know that they are there to help the them. Students are encouraged to utilize this resource to benefit their grades. For details, call x-3086 or 1381.

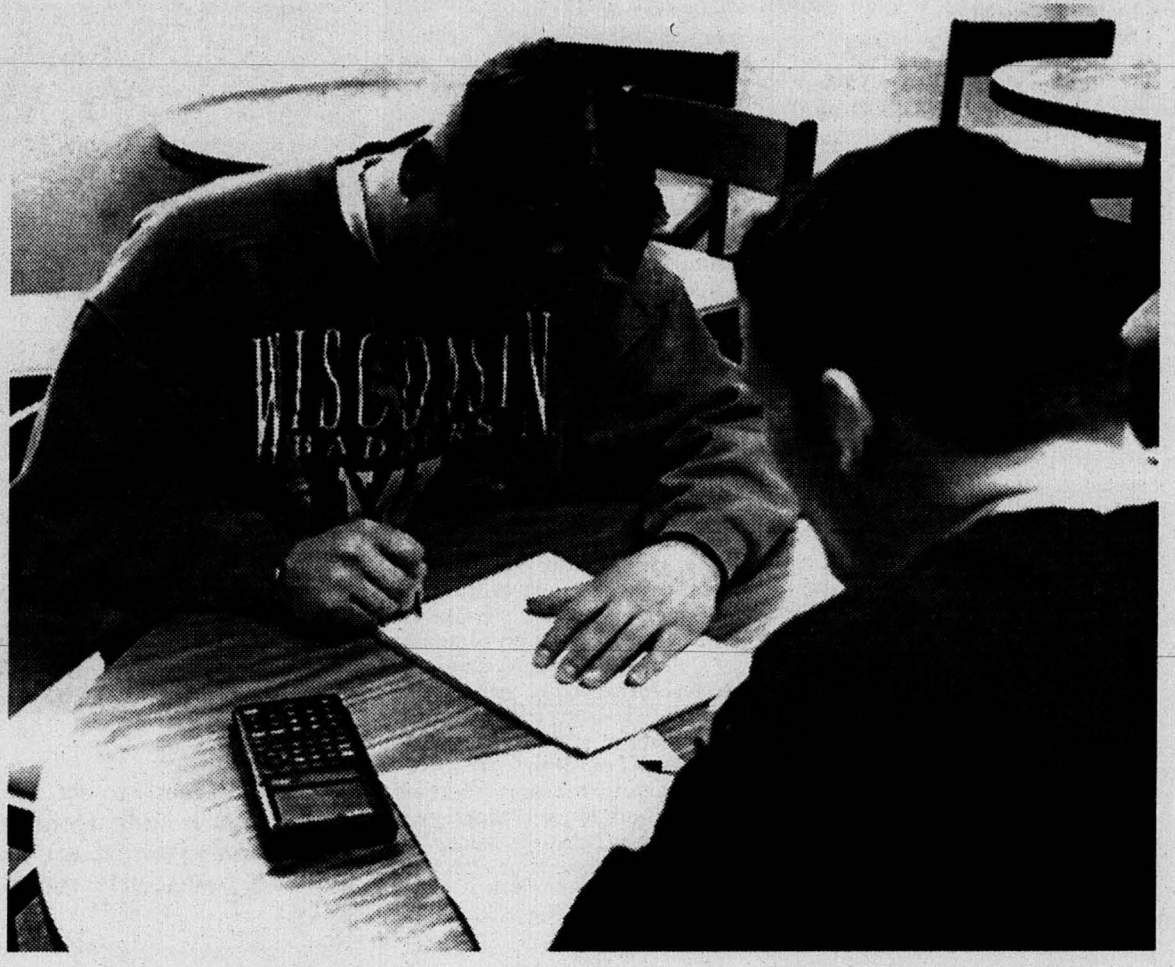


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The environment of the Tutoring Center is set up to be conducive to the students' learning. Free, and open to all, students are encouraged to seek help with difficult classes.

Detective Beth Winge

Case Number: 006
Full Name:
Kappa Lambda Beta



Photo courtesy of Kappa Lambda Beta

Suspicious behavior:
There has been evidence of unusual alcohol addiction. Reports have been made concerning certain individuals sitting outside of the Flame bar in rocking chairs with cups in their hands. In obvious desperation, they sat outside in the winter for 24 hours straight. Bystanders, in pity, actually started throwing money in their waving cups.

Past record:
This once male-dominated society first allowed female membership in 1992. In accord with the "changing times" females have also gained notoriety among the clan. This is the only co-ed fraternity on campus at this time.

Current reports have suggested: Private investigators have received anonymous tips concerning their hideout. Although there is no strong evidence at this time, the hideout is said to be very near Harvey Hall. Members identified by their green jackets with the greek letters KAB on the backs have been seen walking in and out of a neighboring house. (The house also displays the same letters.)

Past accounts: It has been rumored that members have been seen on Lake Menomin with bats and bad calls, hosting the 24th annual Ice-softball Tournament.

Suspicious characters: As suggested by their code names, these members are seen as armed and dangerous. Some of the many names to look for are: Mike "Roo" Snyder, Gregory "Tex" Rohm, Brian "Colonel" Lind, Gunnar "Droopy" Moriarty, and William "Ralphy" McLeud III.

CASE FILES



-So clover, how long have you been working @ the Stoutonia?
-mooooooo
-Ok, how about the work atmosphere? -Is it enjoyable?
-mooooooo
-Oh I see, are the people real nice?
-mooooooo
-Uh-huh, Well then,how much are you paid?
-mooooooooooola...

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Chloe/Just Another Day...

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police cars, and an ambulance. Ironically, I follow them up to my driveway. I see my roommates all hovered outside of the house and put two and two together. I jump out of my car and race up to the site. A few of the fire fighters try to hold me back. "This is my house," I scream. "This is my life. Why can't I just have a normal one?" Their hands simultaneously drop and they give each other that better-let-this-one-go look.

I race to my roommates and get the scoop. Everyone was okay, thank God! No third degree burns or singed hair marred their appearance. They were a-okay.

"What happened?" I hysterically questioned.

"Oh nothing," one roommate tried unsuccessfully to fib.

"There are three fire trucks and a bunch of other state-employed workers at our residence," I replied. "Don't tell me it's nothing."

"There was just a little fire, no big thing. We got it out before the fire department even got here. No one was hurt, and all of our house (inside structure included) is still standing. There is no way you will even be able to tell where the fire was."

At this point, I calm down a little. "As long as no one is hurt," my voice trails off as one of the fire fighters walks up to us. I recognized him as one of the officers who tried to hold me back earlier.

"You girls should consider yourselves very lucky," was the man's reply. "Electrical fires such as this can happen with the blink of an eye and spread very quickly. You were wise to call us as soon as you did."

Okay, wait a minute, isn't this what every superhero says in the comics? I mean, by the time they did get there the fire was already out. When my roommate called, she said it wasn't an emergency. Seconds later we have a bandwagon showing up at our house. It sure is a good thing we called! Otherwise the mothballs would have run for cover.

I silently listen as the officer continues. "Fires such as these happen very frequently. I am going to give you some information on fire safety to read up on so next time you will be more prepared. But first, a few things. Always remember that you have a fire extinguisher located in your house. If possible, run through some practice tests locating it and using it. That way it will be etched in your brain in the real incident. Second, don't try to be the hero. That is our job. If you put out your own fires, how are we ever supposed to be in the paper?"

Was that supposed to be a joke, I wordlessly wonder? And, another thing, like we didn't know we had a fire extinguisher in our house. Just because we called 911 doesn't mean we are idiots!

So, as the story goes, the fire started from our oven and jumped to one of our kitchen walls. My roommates were afraid it relocated inside the wall. That is why the fire department was called. Luckily, they were fast enough to catch it before that happened. All in all, we were very lucky it was as minor as it was.

After all the workers left, and all of the neighbors returned indoors, we went into the house to talk. I saw that one of the fighter's flashlights was left behind.

"I'm going to keep this just because," I said at my roommates' confusion. "They thought we were stupid college girls," I said in confirmation. "They treated us like little kids just because the fire was out by the time they got here. What if there were burning bodies and falling buildings? Then would they take us seriously?"

I took the flashlight up and put it in my collection of other meaningless things jerks had left behind. It was a small consolation, but hey, it was a collector's item. It had to be worth something. If all else fails, I could actually use it.

New national fraternity gets in the act

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

Back with their second debut, the Alpha Psi Omega National Theater Fraternity is acting out on campus.

The chapter, which originally began in 1935, is being re-instated at UW-Stout. After dissolving in the 1950s, interest in the program once again began about four years ago. On Monday, Feb. 22, an induction ceremony welcomed the newest chapter of the fraternity.

The fraternity, although involved in the customary community service programs and fundraisers, is primarily concerned with the performing arts and theater. It stages its own plays and is responsible for every aspect of the running of the play. This fall, Alpha Psi Omega will be putting on a play, although the title has not yet been announced.

Eleven members, the first pledge class, have been inducted into Alpha Psi Omega, with approximately 14 to 20 people who are also actively involved in the fraternity, including five executive board members. It is expected that there will be three or four more participants who will be inducted by the end of the year. Students who are interested in theater and the performing arts are encouraged to get involved in Alpha Psi Omega.

The fraternity is part of the National Honor Society and is open to both men and women. Admission into the program is based on a points system. Participants earn points by being actively involved in a theater production, whether it's in the lighting department or as an actor or actress. Once receiving 75 points, a student can be inducted into the fraternity. The process takes approximately one year to complete.

According to Mike Brenholt, Vice President of Alpha Psi Omega, "the main goal of the fraternity is to get the students at Stout more involved in theater on campus." He states that many of the students aren't even aware that there is a theater program on campus.

Alpha Psi Omega provides a lifetime membership with people who enjoy working in the theater, and would like to promote its ideals and goals. For all that are interested, this organization boasts an oulet for both fun and experience and creating another faucet for more diversity on Stout's campus.

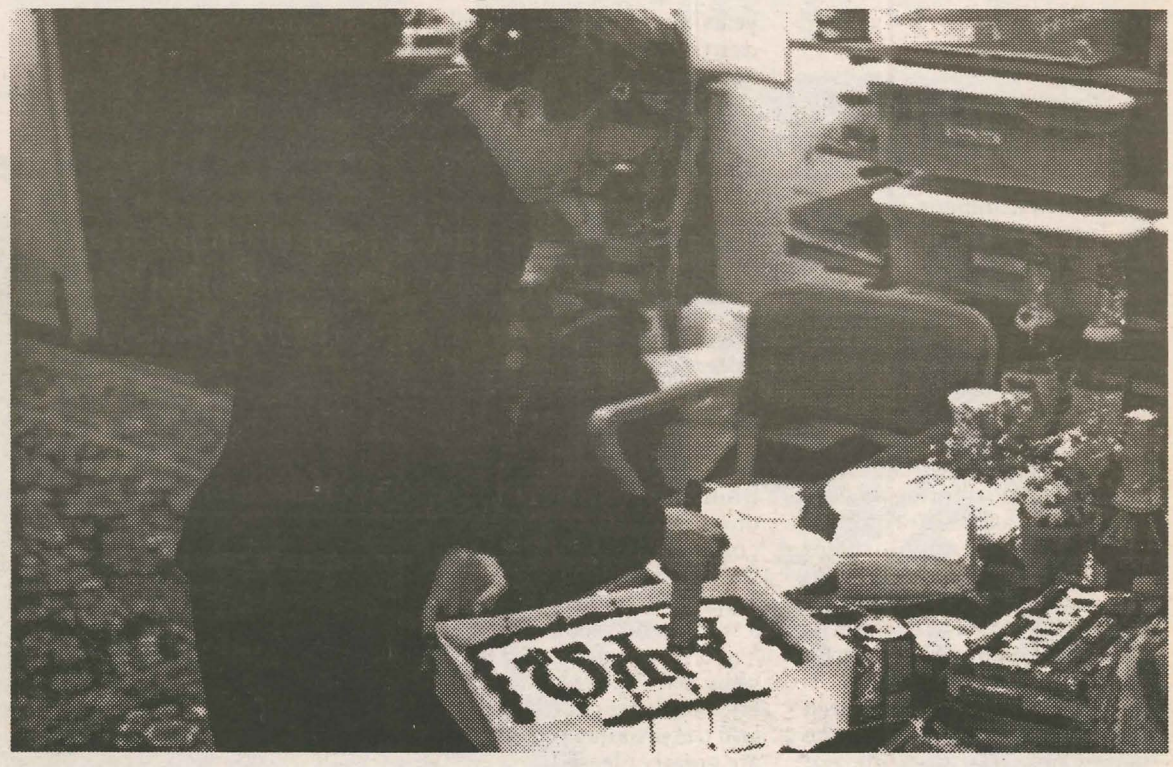
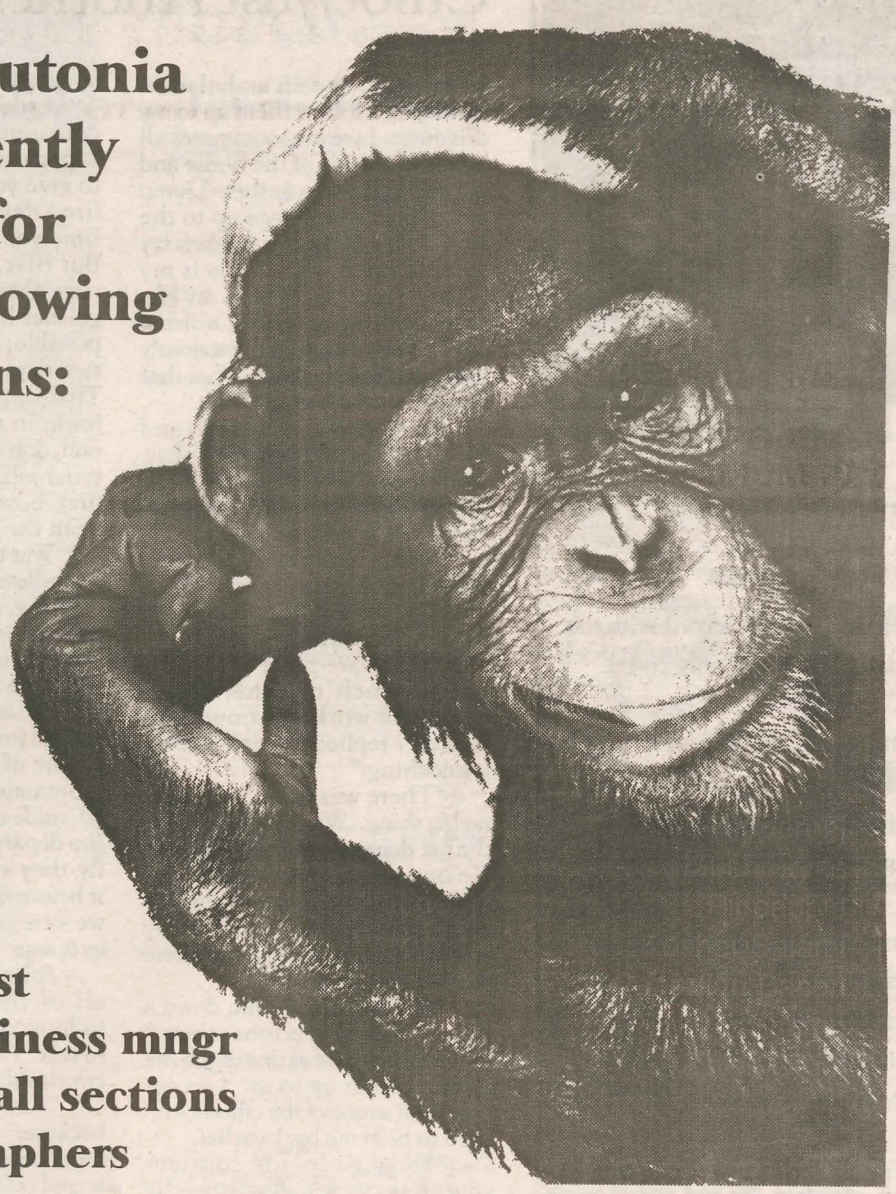


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Back and ready to act, the Alpha Psi Omega Theater Fraternity makes it's debut on Stout campus. Any student interested in theater and the performing arts is fair game for membership. From lighting to acting, every aspect of theater is included. Here, one member cuts the honorary cake to celebrate the re-instatement.

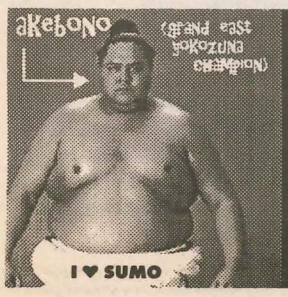
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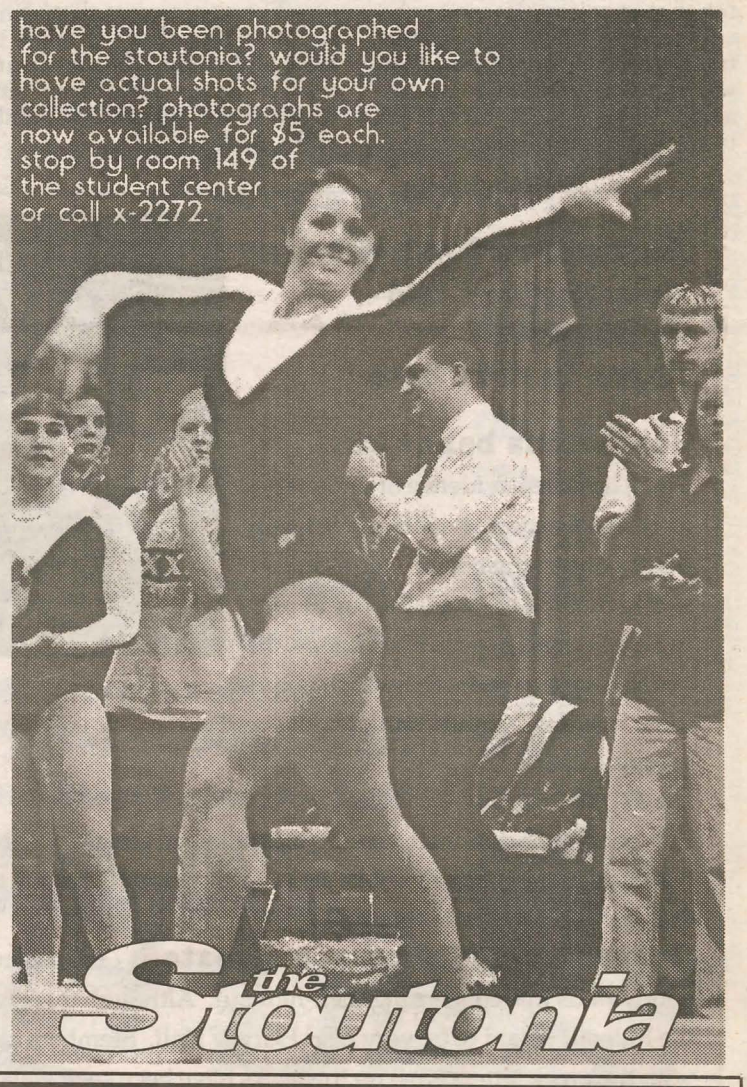
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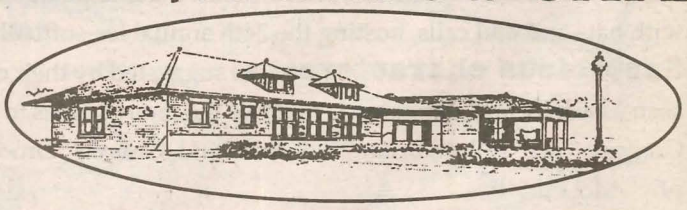


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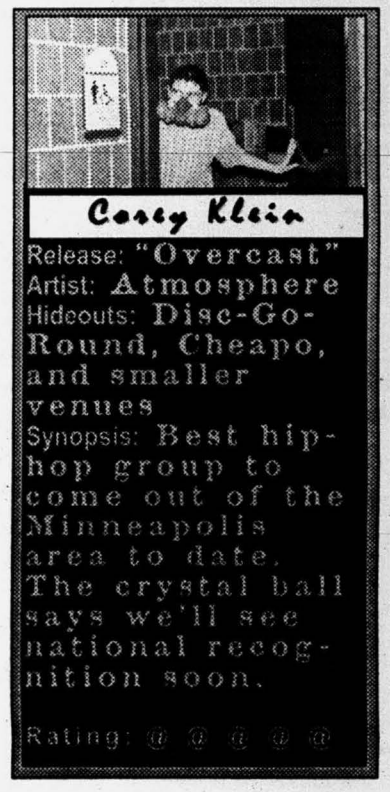
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Atmosphere to "Overcast" hip-hop scene

Taking all things into account, Minnesota has had a fairly diverse musical history.

Various acts have showcased the state's talent, beginning with the pop leader, Prince. Soul Asylum, The Gear Daddies, and Golden Smog all paced the state through the 80s and early 90s, each with their own twist on the rock-grunge scene. Lately, it has been difficult to escape another Minnesota project, Semisonic, whose R.E.M.-like *Closing Time* has become a radio favorite nationwide.

Despite all the positive publicity, the state has never issued a breakthrough hip-hop act.



Rhyme Sayers Entertainment is in the process of changing that.

Hosting a six group roster, the duo of Slug and Spawn, known as Atmosphere, are likely to take the music industry by storm.

On their underground release, "Overcast," a noticeable difference in style can be heard when compared to other rap demonstrations. Atmosphere tends to be straightforward with their lyrics, not dancing around subjects as more prominent acts tend to do.

The act of telling stories, a phenomenon which has all but disappeared on the scene, is the backbone of Atmosphere's success. The rhyme scheme the band introduces has listeners caught on the edge of their seat, feeling the emotions as Atmosphere intended.



Photo courtesy of www.rhymesayers.com

The Minneapolis based Rhyme Sayers Entertainment has provided tight-knit community for the group Atmosphere to launch their attack from. The group is gaining national attention for their unique rhyme style, while remembering the hometown they came from. For more information on Atmosphere and other Minneapolis groups, click onto www.rhymesayers.com.

Not to say that the group is one-dimensional. To the contrary, they show their diverse abilities on *Multiples* (Reprise). Here the rappers trade beats while beginning each stanza with the next letter of the alphabet.

"...And even if your D. J. was Jesus, you could never f___ with these kids."

Spawn

Atmosphere

Among the songs which will become fan favorites are *Scapegoat*, an ode to those people who can't accept the responsibility for their actions.

On the track, the duo attacks the shortcomings of individuals. Meanwhile, they project the overall attitude of Americans who take the, "It's not my fault" attitude.

A hidden track, past the song *Outernet*, has become Atmosphere's anthem The song, *Primer*, shows true talent, describing an abusive relationship in a trailer park home.

One of the more humorous tracks, *WND*, is a ballad depicting what seems to be an average adolescent confrontation. Atmosphere puts their own twist on the tale, however, when Spawn claims, "Damn, I forgot that I don't even have a gun."

Other songs which carry a clear moral message are *Adjustments* and *Caved In*, where the true feelings of the group shine through.

Somewhat elusive, it may be difficult to find information on the group and Rhyme Sayers Entertainment themselves. The best bet is to log onto www.rhymesayers.com where the label features photos of the groups and the opportunity to join their mailing list. Here you can also listen to RealAudio of Atmosphere.

Those who like what they hear can travel to the Cities where the label's CDs can typically be found in any Cheapo record store.

Putting up with the difficulty of finding this CD is definitely worth the hassle, however, as this is one of the finest hip-hop groups to be found.

Coming from this area only adds to their allure. The Atmosphere release "Overcast" earns a five out of five, one of the greatest rap releases in my collection.

At the Movies

The top ten grossing movies for the weekend of Feb. 26 through March 1

(amounts in millions of dollars)

Movie	Amount
1. *8MM*	($14.3)
2. *Payback*	($6.9)
3. *The Other Sister*	($6.7)
4. *Message in a Bottle*	($6.4)
5. *My Favorite Martian*	($5.2)
6. *October Sky*	($5.0)
7. *Shakespeare in Love*	($4.4)
8. *Blast from the Past*	($3.7)
9. *She's All That*	($3.6)
10. *200 Cigarettes*	($3.2)

Horoscopes



For the week of March 4, 1999 through March 11, 1999

by Missy C. Stars

Aries (March 21 - April 19) You'll live out your life dream when you become a "carnie" and spend your days "accidentally" stopping the carnival rides at full height for hours at a time.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) You're kind of an odd one, aren't you?



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) You will get together with several friends and start an extremely exclusive club. Mostly, this will just be so you can have a secret handshake, of course.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22) If you aren't careful, you may accidentally insult someone by a poor choice of words and hurt their feelings. In particular, the expression "hideously deformed" may not be as neutral as you believe.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You'll end up at an incredibly boring social function soon. Sometimes you can liven these things up with something as simple as a whoopy cushion.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Good day to hoot n' holler.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Today you'll bet your friends that you can stick numerous peas up your nose. This will be a mistake.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Time to get out your shorts and tank tops. It's a good 35 degrees outside!!



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Have you been having those weird dreams lately involving clowns tossing you up in the air during a carnival at your home? No? Well, you will now.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) You will be followed by people who appear to be suspiciously like car salesmen. Try to remain calm- they can sense fear.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Later tonight, you'll notice a drunken student from afar making a fool of themself in front of a crowd. As you venture in for a closer look-see, you'll soon realize it's your own roommate.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) You will have an enormously exciting day today when you discover the prize in your cereal box.





Movie goers enjoy gazing upon *October Sky*

How does one escape a fate of working a meanial mining job? That's the question Joe Johnston, director of *Jumanji* takes with his latest production. I would imagine its title, *October Sky* being released in February is a little bit of a detractor.



Phil Shoetvedt

Movie: *October Sky*
Directed By: Joe Johnston
Starring: Laura Dern, Chris Cooper, and Jake Gyllenhaal
Synopsis: To escape a predestined life of mining, a youngster pursues an interest in rocket science. Based on a true story.
Rating: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

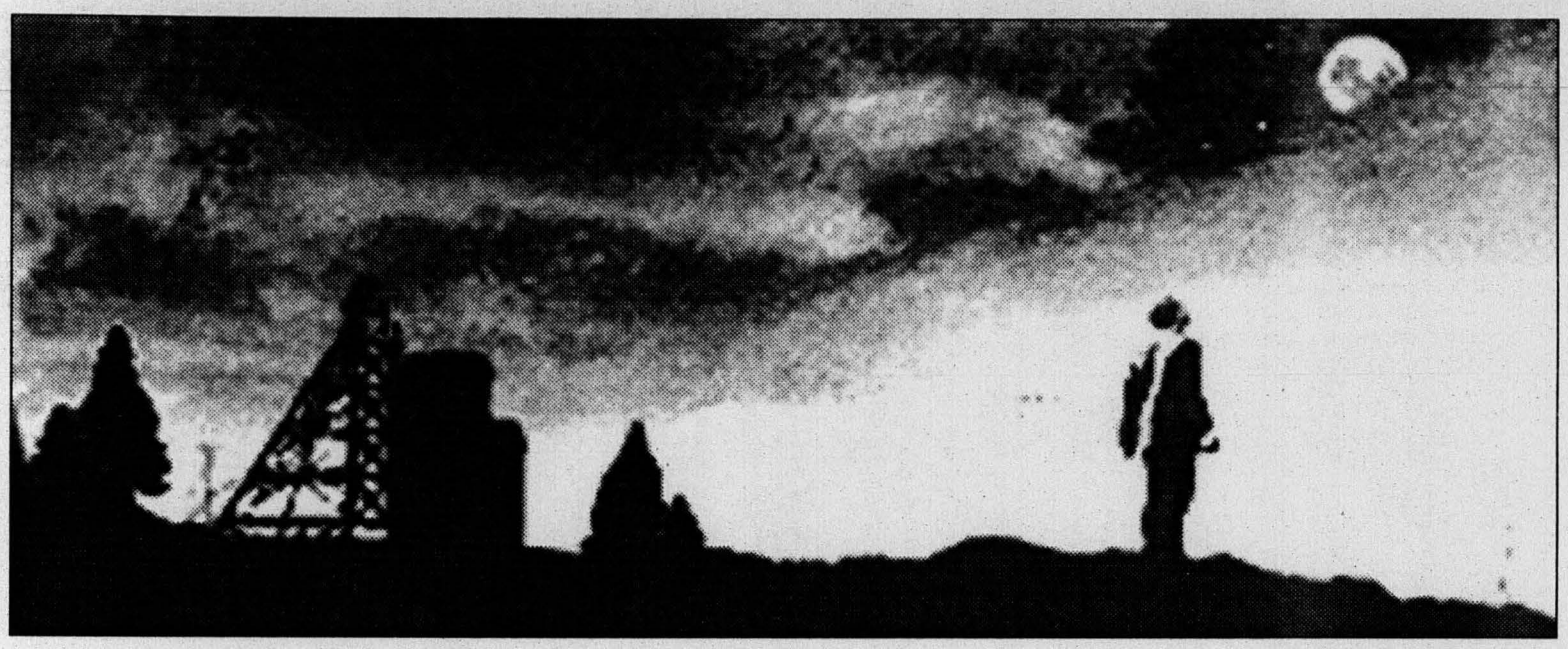


Photo courtesy of octobersky.com

Despite the typical commercial push films carry with them these days, *October Sky* showed promise, opening at number six last weekend. The man-against-the-situation film should fare very well in the box office, as word of mouth spreads on the films subtle storyline and inspiring tale.

Besides the slight misnomer, *October Sky* takes place in the late 50s in a small coal-mining town unimaginatively named Coal Town and is centered around a boy named Homer Hickam. Homer is struggling with living under the shadow of his older brother, the high school football star, and is deathly afraid he'll end up working in the coal mines like his father. That is, until a cold October night when he sees Sputnik streaking across the night sky, hence the name of the movie.

This incident inspires him to go against the odds and pursue a career in rocket science. From here on the moviegoer follows Homer as he endures setback, after setback with the main conflict coming from his relationship with his father.

This film crew is full of talented people, including a very well-known director and producer of the film industry. The director, Joe Johnston worked with the visual effects in the *Star Wars* movies, and producer Charles Gordon was the one of the men who brought *Field of Dreams* to the big screen. This is a team that is destined for greatness.

To add to this talent, its cast is made up of Laura Dern (*Jurassic Park*), Chris Cooper (*Horse Whisperer*), and Jake Gyllenhaal, to name a few. Most of the actors are not that well-known to date, but they all give outstanding performances in this movie and show great potential. Especially Gyllenhaal, who plays the main character. He's had a few smaller roles in other movies such as *City Slickers* and *Josh & Sam*, but *October Sky* is his first attempt at a lead role, and he does an amazing job.

I'm going out on a limb here and predict Gyllenhaal will become more of a household name in the future. And if the girls keep swooning, he's sure to catch a few covers of *Teen Beat*. Look out Leonardo DiCaprio and Johnathan Taylor Thomas, here comes Gyllenhaal.

My only advice to him, although it's probably too late, would be to consider changing his last name.

This one hour and 50 minute movie is very well made and leaves you feeling a little inspired. What makes it even more appealing is the fact that it's based on a true story. Most of the contents of the movie are true and that they show pictures of the actual people at the end and tell you where they are now. It prevents you from having the, "Good story, but it would never happen in real life" thoughts.

If one was to follow up on Hickam, they would uncover that the man is a fairly famous rocket scientist, now working within the NASA community. I'm surprised that he hadn't shared his story with the public sooner.

Overall, I highly recommend seeing this movie. It's got something that both guys and girls will find interesting, which makes it a great date movie.

It's got a great plot and fantastic acting that is sure to leave you feeling inspired. Unfortunately though, it's not playing in Menomonie right now so you'll have to travel to Eau Claire if you want to see it. But trust me, it's worth the short trip. With all that in mind, *October Sky* gets a well-deserved rating of five.

That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.

Leold www.leold.com
by Roger and Salem Salloom© 1997

Today I went to a Chinese restaurant.

After my meal the waitress gave me a fortune cookie.

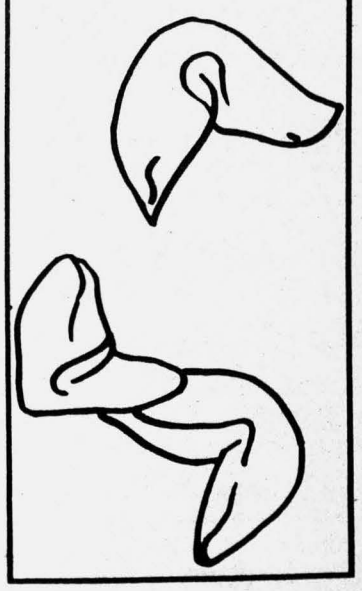
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"Throughout your life small mammals will be attracted to you."

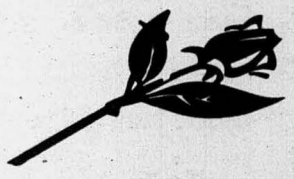
That sounded great but why can't the fortunes be more personal like, " Hi Leold, your girlfriend is going to dump you Saturday night."

That would be nice.

I can tell you one thing, I'd be eating a lot more Chinese food.



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In search of the *Lost Highway*



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The Fine Arts Association returns this Thursday, March 4, bringing with it a viewing of the 1997 film *The Lost Highway*. Produced by Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails fame, the film is an abstract piece starring Bill Pullman and Patricia Arquette. It will be shown at 7:00 p.m. in Applied Arts room 321.

Foot Fetish

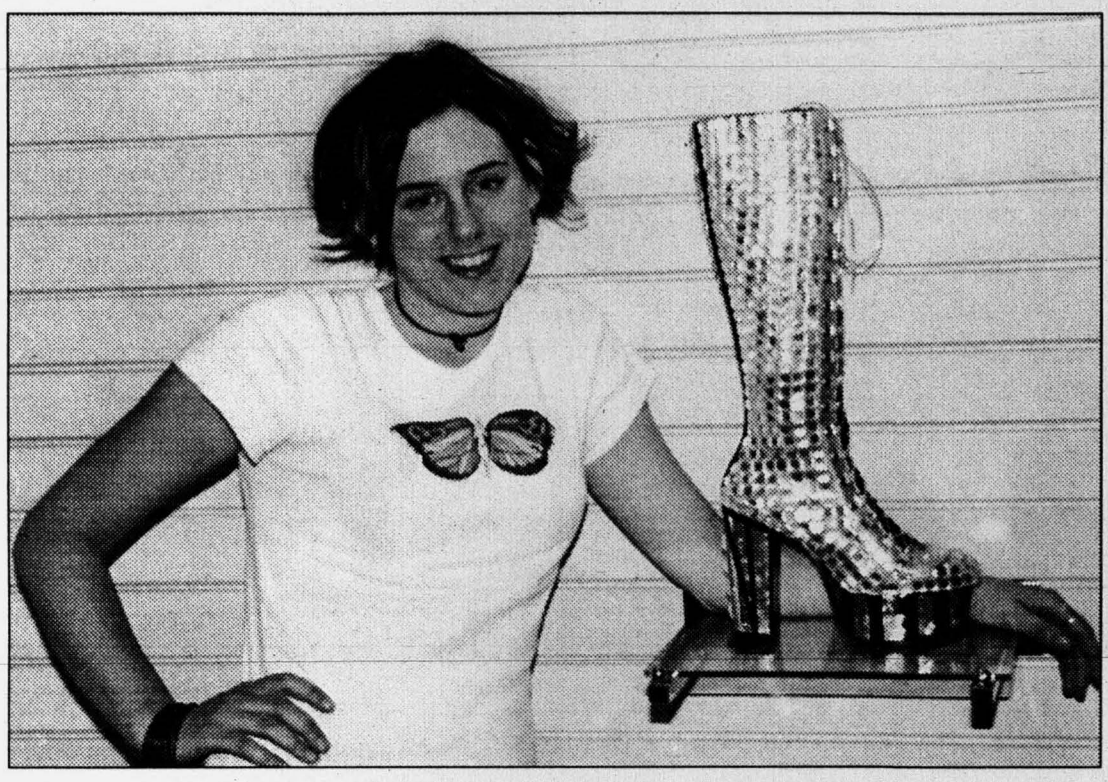
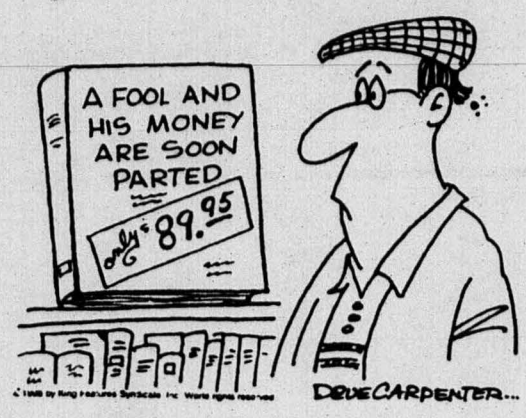
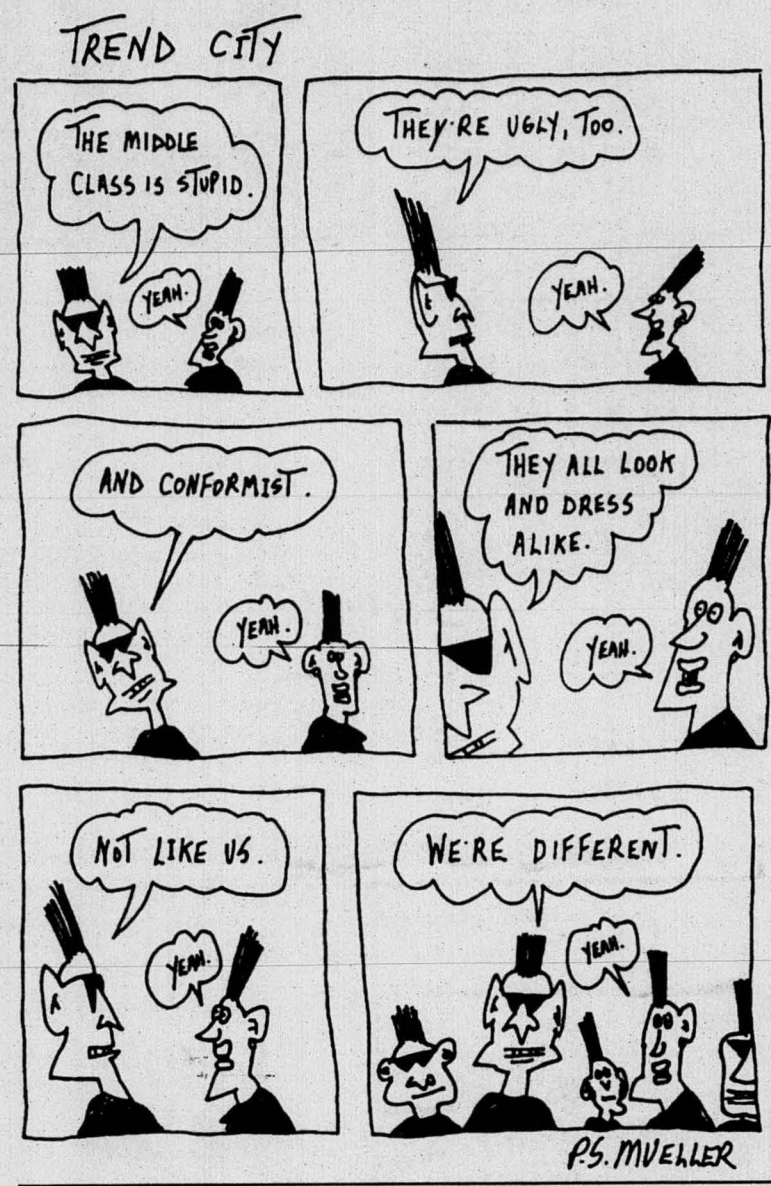


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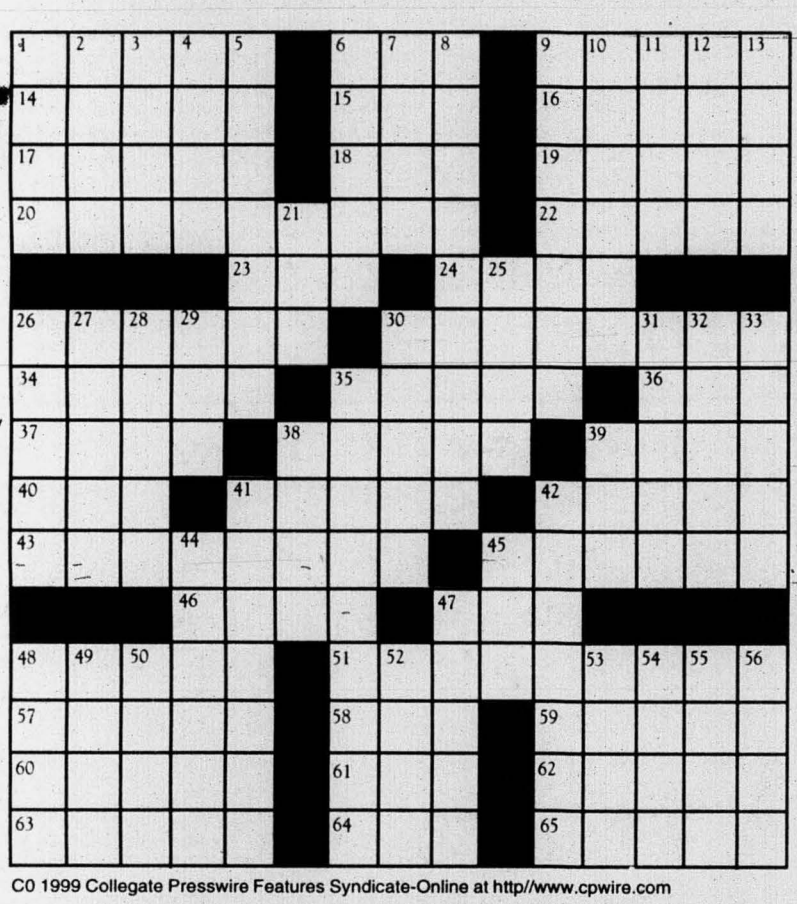
Thanks to the efforts of Tami Snodgrass, the Birch Gallery will be filled through March 10 with an assortment of artistic shoes. The works are based off of Snodgrass' self proclaimed "shoe fetish" and are on loan from Saint Sabrina's Parlor in Purgatory shop, located in Minneapolis.

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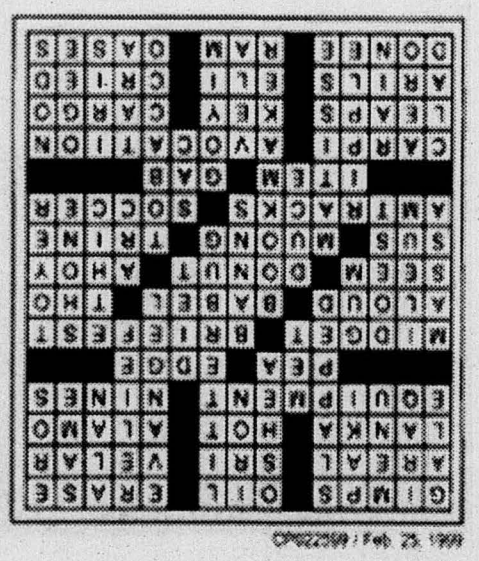
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18. Torrid
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20. Rig
22. Dressed to the ___
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30. Description of a bikini
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37. Appear
38. A dunking pastry
39. Mariner's greeting
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46. Entry
47. Chat
48. Wrists
51. This isn't my real job!
57. Vaults
58. Solution
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60. Seed coverings
61. Hebrew judge
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64. Dodge truck
65. Watering places

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5. Gave a sharp blow
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7. Mineral supplement
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10. What "Rolaids" spells
11. Robert Alan's son
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21. NY baseball player
25. Japanese legislative body
26. Italian city with marble industry
27. Part of the intestine
28. Archaic second person singular
29. Chewy mad
30. Announcement of intended marriage
31. Moral principals
32. What the moon did when it was full
33. One who trifles with anothers affections
35. Illegal bet taker
38. Il____ (Mussolini)
39. Bow
41. Impressionist painter
42. Virginia product
44. Fudge ___ ice cream
45. Former Air Force acronym
47. Gentile
48. Wearing clothes
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50. Moisture falling from above
52. Brand of mint
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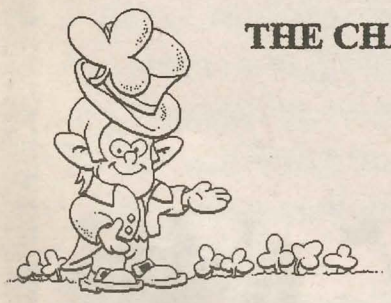
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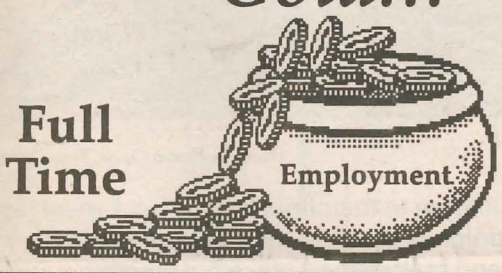


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Track Teams close out indoor season

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

On your mark, get set, let's go! Both Men's and Women's Indoor Track Teams made excellent showings for themselves at their respective meets last Friday. The competition was the last for the indoor season, leaving only WIAC and Division III Championships on the horizon before the outdoor season kicks off in late March. However, this doesn't mean a break for the Blue Devils, but rather a chance for the teams to further condition and prepare.

Friday's meet saw the Men's Team clinch first place overall with a score of 145, almost 34 points higher than their nearest competitor. Built on a foundation of three first and four second place finishes, the Blue Devils offered little hope to the other nine teams in the competition. Jamie Buchholtz upped his mark from last week in the pole vault, raising the bar from 15' 5.5" to a Division III qualifying height of 15' 8.75." Josh Johnson was able to edge out a victory in the 600-meter dash, clocking in at 1:24.88, and Jason Peterson closed down the 100-meter with a first place finish of 2:35.49.

The second place club included Eric Moe in the triple jump, Mike Bethke in the shot-put, and Ethan Webinger, who qualified twice with second place numbers in both the 3000 meter and the 4x200 relay.

Not finishing on top this week was senior Tim Hamill. Last week Hamill was able to set a new school record in the 5000-meter run with a time of 14:48.68, beating the old mark by more than six seconds.

The Women's Team finished fourth overall in their endeavor last week, but still saved some room for celebration. Coming in behind River Falls, Gustavus Adolphus, and St. Olaf, the Blue Devils still found themselves among the top half of the field. First place finishes were turned in by both Katie Jacobson in the mile run (5:03.15) and Noel Green in the 55-meter dash (7.33 seconds).

Also bringing home a victory was Katy Olson, who won the 5000-meter run with a provisional qualifying time of 17:52.31. Two second place finishes were registered by Blue Devil runners Allison West and Michelle Abramczak in the 55-, and 200-meter hurdles, respectively. Jennifer Turner may have placed only sixth in the weight toss with a heave of 42' 9.75, but the effort was good enough for a new school record, beating her Jan. 29 mark by almost a foot.

Another notable turn of events included two Women's Team members qualifying for Division III Track and Field Championships. Noel Green, the first Stout sprinter to qualify in five years, will be running in the 55-meter dash. Green qualified with a time of 7.10 seconds during the River Falls Invitational on Feb. 19. Katie Jacobson will be competing in the 800-meter run after clocking a qualifying time of 2:15.8 at the same meet.

The Blue Devils will go head to head with other WIAC teams on March 5 and 6 at UW-Stevens Point. Division III Championships will be held March 12 and 13 at Ohio Northern University; with the following weekend kicking off the outdoor season.

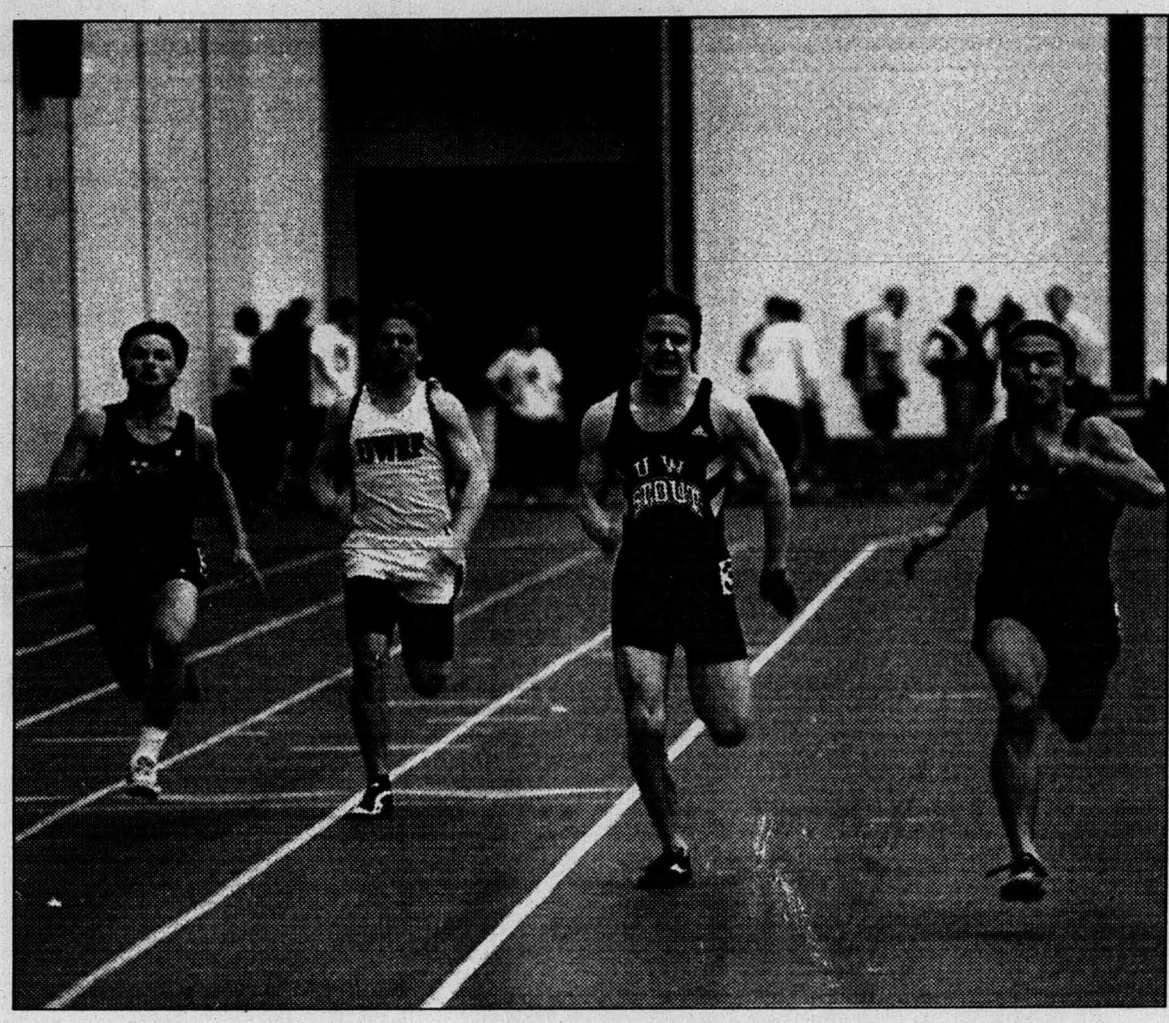


Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

The Men's Track Team ran away with the competition at their final indoor track meet last Friday. Easliy breezing by second place Gustavus Adolphus by more than 34 points, the Blue Devils racked up a team score of 145 with three first and four second place finishes.

Johnnies bury Stout in Dome opener; Blue Devils set sights on Florida wins

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

Blue Devil Baseball took to the field at the Metrodome in Minneapolis this past Tuesday to launch a new season.

Falling in a double hitter 3-0 and 5-4 to St. John's University of Collegeville, MN, it may appear that the team is not off to their best start. To be reassured, Head Coach Terry Petrie and his players still expect very good things. The Johnnies are one of two top Minnesotan teams that the Blue Devils will face in non-conference action.

The Blue Devils carried a 4-3 lead into the bottom of the sixth, but the Johnnies scored two runs for the win.

Stout cracked out four extra base hits among their five total hits, but couldn't stack enough hits to score more than one run in a single inning. The Blue Devils scored single runs in the first and third, but St. John's put up three runs in the bottom of the fourth.

The Blue Devils got a single run in the top of the fifth when Brad O'Connell sacrificed in JR Dachel, who had reached base on an error. Ryan Hanson scored in the top of the sixth to give Stout the lead.

O'Connell recorded a double in the first, then scored on Andy Guden's triple. Tate Cummings got on base in the third on a double, was moved to third by an error, then stole home.

Zak Arneson pitched the first three innings of the game, scattering only three hits, no runs, and striking out four Johnnies.

In the second game, Stout got in a small hole early, allowing the first batter to score. The Johnnies picked up an unearned run in the fifth and scored the clincher in the seventh.

JW Dachel registered Stout's only hit, a two-out single in the bottom of the third, to close the series with St. John's.

Despite their early losses, the Blue Devils expect to be at least conference championship contenders, returning all but four regulars to the roster this season, including seven .300+ hitters. Following the lead of co-captains Andy Guden and Ryan Hanson, who return to fill key starting positions at right and center field, the team's already strong core of hitters should rank them in the top half of the conference, despite a young bullpen.

The Blue Devils will make their Menomonie debut on Wed. April 14 when they take on Concordia University-St. Paul. However,

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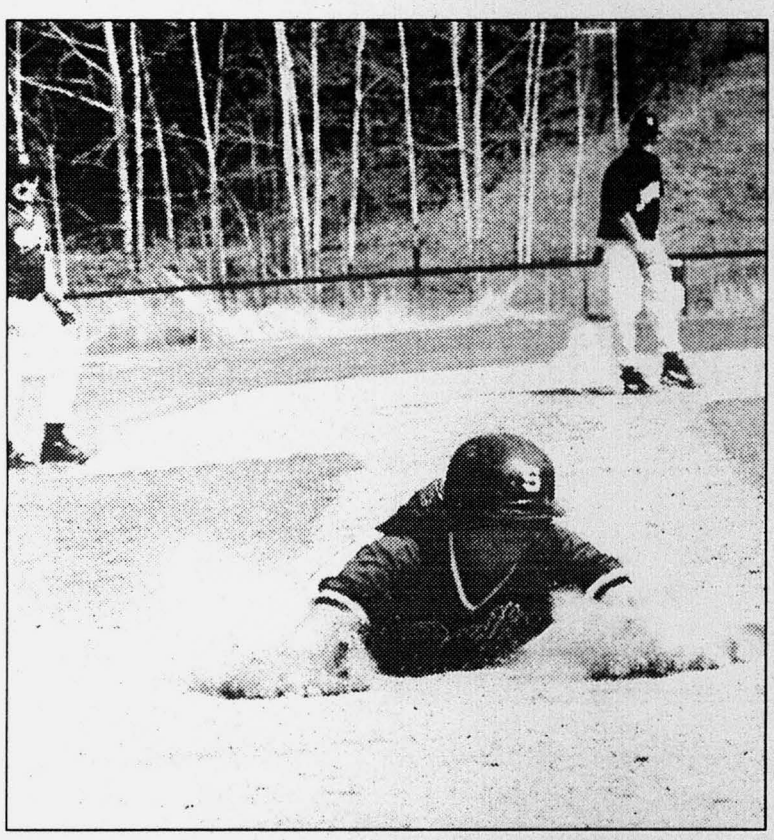


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The Blue Devils will attempt to steal some wins as they travel to Ft. Myers, Florida over break. Fans who aren't in the area have no need to fret - the team will head home soon.



Blue Devil Baseball in Ft. Myers, Florida

Date	Opponent	Field	Time
Sun. March 14	vs. MacMurray (IL)	(DH) CC2	5 p.m.
Mon. March 15	vs. Amherst (MA)	(DH) TP3	5 p.m.
Tues. March 16	vs. Rowan (NJ)	(DH) CC2	10 a.m.
Thurs. March 18	vs. Ripon (WI)	CC3	5 p.m.
Thurs. March 18	vs. Aurora (IL)	CC2	8:30 p.m.
Fri. March 19	vs. Wooster (OH)	(DH) CC2	10 a.m.
Sat. March 20	vs. Mt. Vernon (OH)	(DH)CC3	1 p.m.
Sat. March 20	TBA	(DH)	TBA

All games are seven innings.
All times are Eastern zone times.
*DH denotes double hitter.
**CC games played at Cape Coral Fields (with field number in parentheses).
***TP games played at Terry Park Fields (with field number in parentheses).

Reigning Eagles have a lot to crow over

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

The UW-La Crosse Gymnastics Team was back with a vengeance and is still on a rampage, hoping to reclaim their spot as National College Gymnastics Association champs, after letting it slip away by only two-tenths of a point last season.

It came as almost no surprise, then, that the Eagles would be back hungry and ready to feast on this year's WIAC Championships held last Friday. The win by the Eagles was their tenth conference championship.

The Eagles' Kari Motz defended her vault title, hitting a 9.125 as the Eagles racked up 143.625 points. UW-Oshkosh, on the efforts of all-around and uneven bars champion Tiffany Barden, finished second with 141.40 points. Barden was the only gymnast to win two titles.

La Crosse's Jamie Kubash won the balance beam event and Becky McDonnell won the floor exercise.

Brenna Jones notched a couple of 11th place finishes for Stout, scoring a 9.10 on the floor exercise to keep up her bid as a floor specialist for the NCGA National Championships coming up at the end of March. Jones was also 11th in the all around event, marking a 32.475. Andrea Hassel finished 13th on the balance beam with an 8.45.

The Blue Devils will join the other five WIAC teams at the NCGA West Regional meet Friday, March 5, at UW-River Falls.

UW-La Crosee has dominated the WIAC Gymnastics circuit in recent years, largely on the part of being able to hang on to key athletes and recruit a team of potential. La Crosse returned six All-American competitors from last year's national meet, including the dangerous duo of Kari Motz and Jaime Kubash. The two have combined to compile 11 All-America honors and 19 All-WIAC honors in their last two seasons.

At the start of this year's WIAC competition, Motz carried the best score in the conference on the vault, hitting a 9.55, while Kubash held the league's best balance beam score with a 9.675.

Motz was also NCGA runner-up in all-around competition last season after winning the title as a freshman in 1997. At last year's WIAC Championship, Motz hit a 36.20 in the all-around, the third highest in WIAC history. She also successfully defended her national title on the balance beam. Although losing her hold on the WIAC individual championships for the all-around, beam, and floor events, she picked up a new title on the vault. This year she was also named to the All-Conference vault, beam, and all-around teams.

Kubash was an All-America selection on the floor and the vault last season, earning All-WIAC first team honors in every event except the floor. She returns to the All-Conference Team this year in the floor and beam events.

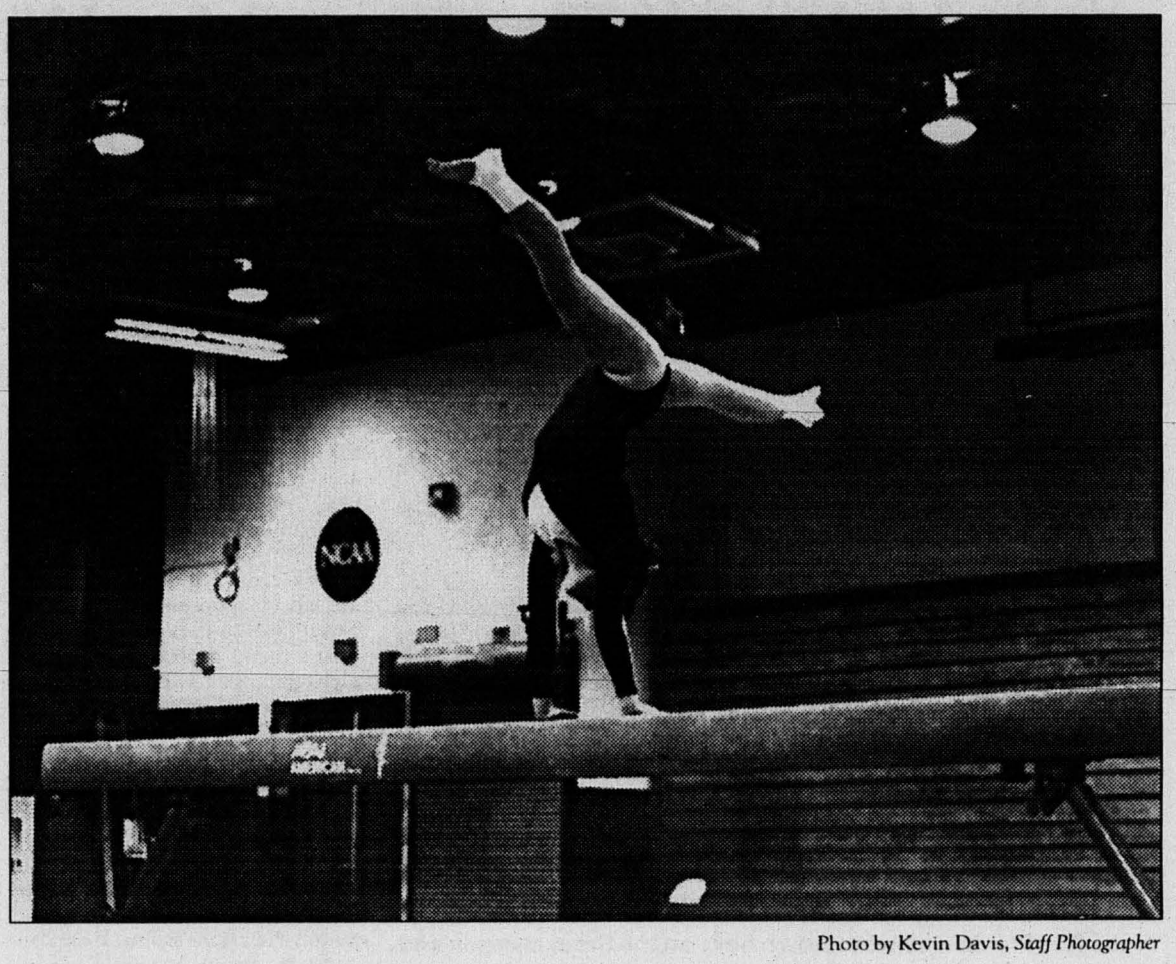


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As expected, UW-La Crosse toppled the competition in the WIAC Gymnastic Championships this weekend, winning their tenth conferece championship and third consecutive title. Brenna Jones was the only Blue Devil to hang on to her bid for the upcoming NCGA Nationals.

Women unite: take back the ice

by Kyle Madson
Sports Reporter

As the campus and enrollment at UW-Stout grow, the student organizations follow close behind. In the fall of 1998, Women's Ice Hockey, after spending two years as an intramural sport, was upgraded to club status seeking stiffer competition.

Noticing the lack of competition for women on club teams here at Stout, first year team captain Katie Kaltved started organizing the team early this year and searching for teams to challenge in the area.

In order to start a new team, it is rather essential to have team members. So, as the first priority, Kaltved, along with student coaches Travis Kinney and Adam Friedman, spent the first few fall months recruiting on campus. The first means of this process was posting flyers across campus notifying women of the new club sport. The second and most fruitful means of recruiting was by word of mouth. At the time of the season's start, the club had rounded up about 20 women to make up the first Women's Ice Hockey Club in Stout history.

Recruiting was only the first step in making this club team work. The first practice took place in November and for some players, it was their first taste of ice hockey.

"We all started out there sometime," said team goalie Andrea Schaefer of the new-comers to the sport. And, while the team wasn't able to make as much progress during game time, noticeable changes were taking place during practices.

"We improved a great deal since our first practice in November," said team captain Katie Kaltved of the team's progress this season.

The team captured their first victory of this first season as they buried Carleton College of Northfield, Minnesota 13-1 this past weekend. Captain Katie Kaltved led the onslaught with five goals. Also contributing to the blow-out were Claire Stone, with three goals, Jill Garritsen andKaren Mathias, with two goals each, and Kim Utterberg, with a single goal. The victory brought the team's record to 1-3-2 on the season.

"We really began to start working together as a team," said Schaefer of their victory over Carleton. She also felt the victory really set the tone for next year.

The team will cap off their sea-

Please see Hockey on page 18



Photo submitted by UW-Stout Women's Club Hockey

The Women's Club Hockey Team is nearing the end of their innagural season on a high note, after a 13-1 defeat of Carleton College last weekend. Though not yet well known on campus, the women hope to improve next season through vigorous recruiting.

Platteville trumps Blue Devils in OT

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

After UW-Platteville bolted to a 14-point lead midway through the second half, chances of an upset win by UW-Stout looked slim.

But the Blue Devils evaporated the Pioneer lead and took top-seeded Platteville into overtime before dropping a heart-breaking 90-88 decision in the WIAC Basketball Championship game Saturday, Feb. 27 at UW-Platteville.

With Platteville holding a 65-53 lead at the 10:22 mark of the second half, Stout held the Pioneers scoreless for three minutes and cut the deficit to three points on the strength of six free throws, a lay-up by Jeremy Leibfried, and a 3-pointer by Pat Von Feldt. The Pioneers, who posted an impressive 25-2 record this season, held on to a two point lead until only 48 seconds remained in regulation when Andy Myers gave Stout an 80-78 lead on a basket and free throw.

It was the Pioneers' Mike Jones who sent the game into overtime on a sneak from underneath. Stout took a one-point lead early in overtime, but the Pioneers regained the lead on a jumper from Merrill Brunson. Stout's Leibfried erased that with a 3-pointer 10 seconds later.

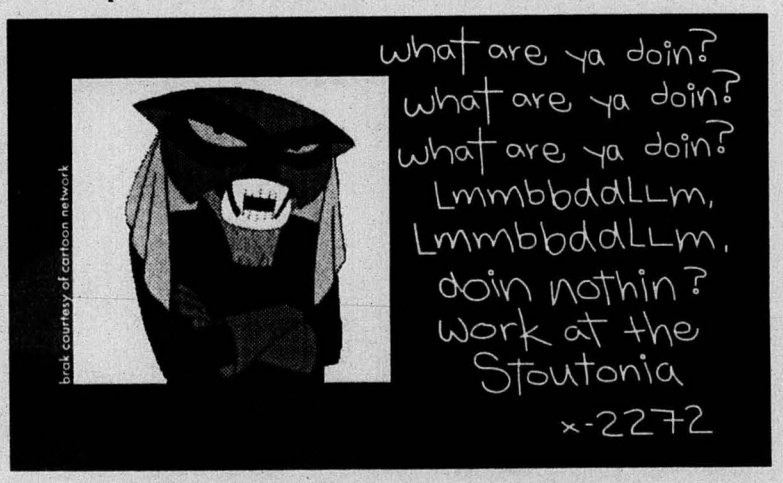
That's when the magic wore off for Stout. The Pioneers' Aaron Olson tossed in an ugly 3-pointer to give Platteville an 87-84 lead, and a lead for good. The Pioneers did not look like champion material coming down the stretch, missing three of four free throws.

Leibfried pulled Stout to within two with 45 seconds left. The Pioneers did ice the game at the line, when Olson canned two shots with four seconds left and Leibfried was given an uncontested shot at the buzzer for the final 90-88 score.

Leibfried led Stout with 24 points, while Ben Kuepers added 15. Von Feldt finished with 14 points and Myers and Aaron Vachowiak each had 11.

Stout's leading scorer, Jeremy Preston, saw limited action due to a fever hovering near 102 degrees and was held to only five points. Blake Knutson provided much of the firepower for Platteville, scoring a game-high 32 points before fouling out. Olson, Brunson, and Mike Jones added 15 points each.

The win gives the Pioneers, the defending national champions, an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III Tournament.



Press Box

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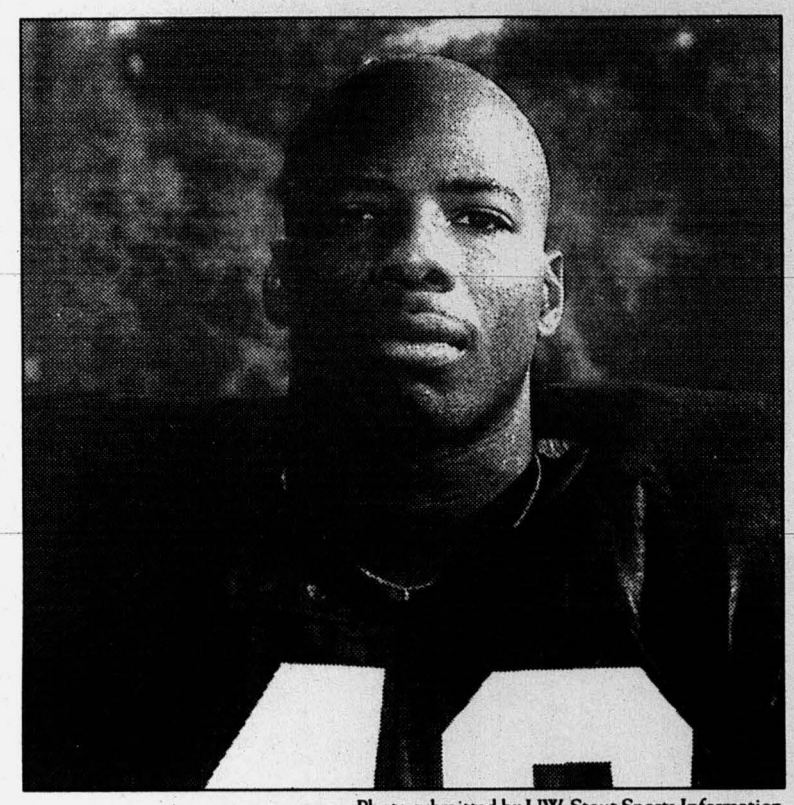


Photo submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

La Rue Pierce was well known both on the Stout campus and on the Blue Devil Football field. In late March he will travel even farther from Stout, continuing his Blue Devil football career on a professional level in Hamburg, Germany.

Women's Basketball

UW-Oshkosh definitely had something to prove, and prove it they did as they exacted revenge on UW-Stout, the only team this season to put a blemish on the Titans' record, with a 93-45 WIAC semifinal basketball championship win Thursday, Feb. 25 at Albee Hall.

With the score 9-7 in favor of the Titans midway through the first half, Oshkosh took off on a 20-2 run lasting seven minutes and went on to a 48-26 halftime score.

Things got worse for the Blue Devils in the second half as the Titans dominated all aspects of the game and held Stout to only four points in the first ten minutes of the half, utilizing a stifling full court press for most of the second half.

Rachel Traynor led Stout with 12 points, but scored 11 of her points in the first half. No other Blue Devil was in double digits, although Tina McNamara came close with eight points. Heather Peterson was injured early in the game, managed a comeback, but did not score for the first time all season.

Kristin Steckmeester from Oshkosh led all scorers with 17 points, all in the first half. Rachel Lachecki added 12 points and Kelly Warnke finished with 11 points.

The top-seeded Titans went on to defeat second-seeded UW-Eau Claire Saturday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in the WIAC Championship game.

Women's Tennis

UW-Stout's Lauren Mader and Lauren Johnson won singles matches and combined to win their doubles contest as the Blue Devils Tennis Team lost, 6-3, at St. Mary's College in Winona, Sunday Feb. 28.

Mader took the No. 1 singles match while Johnson needed a tiebreaker in her first No. 2 singles game, winning 7-6, 6-3. The duo combined to win at No. 1 doubles, 8-2.

The Blue Devils are off until Friday, March 26 when they return well rested to host Northwestern College at 4 p.m.

Blue Devil Football Flashback

After two years out of organized football, former UW-Stout standout linebacker La Rue Pierce will get his chance to play professional football. Continuing his streak as a Blue Devil powerhouse, he will become a member of the Hamburg Blue Devils in Germany.

Pierce, a third-team All-America pick in 1996, will begin practice in Germany March 25 and play his first professional game on April 10.

The Hamburg team is one of the top professional football teams in Europe according to Pierce, who played three years for Stout. Last year they recorded a record of 15-2 and played in the league championship game.

While at Stout, Pierce was a first team All-Conference player his senior year and an honorable mention as a junior. He led the Blue Devils in tackles both his junior and senior years, and led the team in quarterback sacks his senior year. Pierce is approaching the opportunity in Germany as a springboard into the NFL.

"This will give me a start," Pierce said. "After four months, we get a month off so I can come back to look at some NFL teams."

Pierce is also currently working on his thesis for his master's degree in Special Education.

Coach Watkins and Men's Hockey Team receive WIAC honors

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Three UW-Stout Hockey players were named honorable mention members to the All-WIAC Hockey Team. After enjoying the success of his players, Head Coach Terry Watkins also enjoyed recognition as Coach of the Year.

Seniors Greg Foster, Graham Lomen, and Tom Schaffner joined Watkins on the honor list.

Watkins led the Blue Devils to a 9-16-2 overall season record and a 2-6 record in the WIAC, Stout's best finish since the Blue Devils returned to varsity status during the 1996-97 season.

Watkins, a 1972 Stout graduate who is a member of the UW-Stout Hall of Fame, saw his team post a 5-3-1 record over the last eight games and also posted three consecutive shutouts, a new record in Blue Devil history.

"We had kids that worked really hard," Watkins, a 1966 Cretin High School graduate, said. "And that made me look good. This award just adds more respect to our program."

Foster, a forward who converted to defense last season, was a main factor in the Blue Devils' defensive turnaround that allowed 25 fewer goals on the season. Foster finished the season with three goals and 11 assists.

Lomen, coming off of back surgery, recovered the scoring touch he missed last season. This season Lomen led the team in scoring with 15 goals and 11 assists.

Schaffner was a consistant, reliable player that made things happen when it counted most for the team. He scored seven goals this season, adding 13 assists as a bonus.

Hockey/recruiting women

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son with a tournament at UW-River Falls this weekend. Stout will match their skills against Eau Claire at 5 p.m. Friday, March 5.

The team continues to look for more women to participate in the sport. Captain Kaltved sees it as a way to meet new people as well as a great way to get involved on campus. "We have a lot of fun out on the ice," said Kaltved of this year's squad.

With practices held only once a week, participation requires little time commitment. The club will be holding a recruitment meeting in the near future. If interested, Kaltved can be contacted at 233-1164 or by leaving a message in the club mailbox behind the SOC Desk in the Memorial Student Center.

Baseball/upcoming games

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Florida-bound students have only to wait until Spring Break to catch the team in action against the nation's best, according to Petrie.

"Last year when we went to Florida, we played some of the top teams in the country. I don't expect that to be any different this year," Petrie said. "We've got tough, tough teams to play."

So, for all Blue Devil Baseball junkies who want to show off newly acquired tans to fellow classmates a little early, head down to Ft. Myers, Florida to round out your Spring Break itinerary.

And remember, it's not whether they win or lose. The important thing is you're not in Menomonie during Spring Break!

The Calendar

UW-Stout's Upcoming Sports Schedule

Women's Gymnastics
Fri. March 5 6 p.m.
NCGA Regionals
at UW-River Falls

Track and Field
Fri. and Sat. March 5-6 TBA
WIAC Championships
at UW-Stevens Point
Fri. and Sat. March 12-13 TBA
NCAA Division III Championships, at Ada (OH)

Women's Hockey
Fri. March 5 5 p.m.
at UW-Eau Claire

Women's Tennis
Fri. March 26 4 p.m.
vs. Northwestern College, here

Men's Baseball
Sat. March 27 11 a.m.
vs. Wheaton College (IL)
at Metrodome in Minneapolis
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Women's Softball
March 13-20 TBA
Rebel Spring Games
at Orlando (FL)
vs. various national teams
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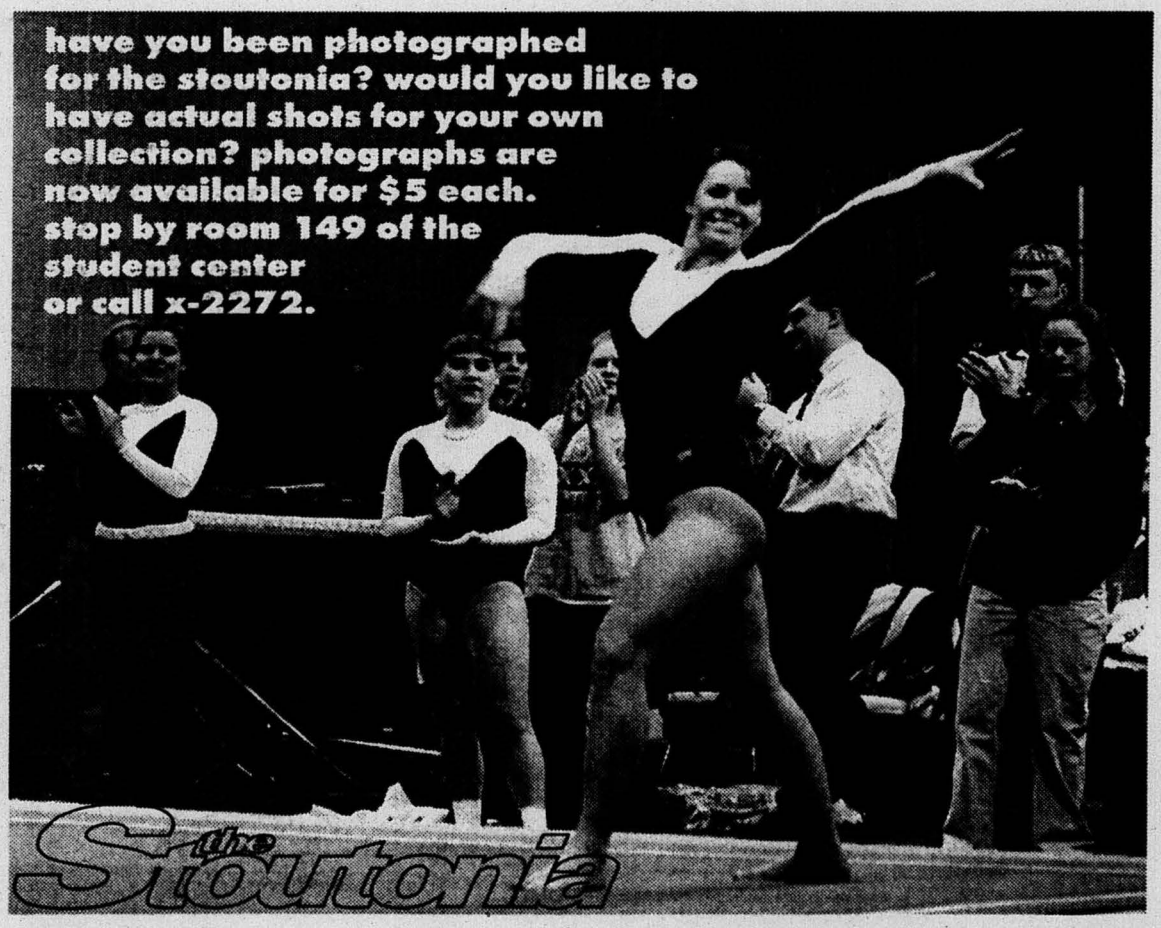
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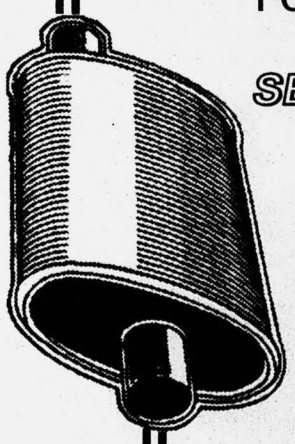
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RA fired for alcohol related incidents

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Resident Advisor Ryan Gilson of fourth floor Kranzusch Hall, was released from duty two weeks ago for breaking University alcohol policies and Residential Life departmental expectations of an advisor.

Anne Ramage, the Associate Director of Residential Life, felt it would be inappropriate to give out detailed information on Gilson's activities but commented, "By University policy, you can't drink while performing your duties. That applies to anybody on campus, not just RAs. Gilson drank while he was on the job, he drank as a underage student, he drank with other underage students, he violated University's alcohol policy."

Gilson knows that his offenses were inappropriate, "I realize it was wrong. It was the occasional times that I decided to drink that I got caught."

Every RA on campus is required to attend several training sessions each year. One topic that is continually discussed at these training sessions is alcohol consumption and regulations. Resident Advisors go through a session every August before students return to the campus, where they discuss what kind of role alcohol plays within the staff, and how the alcohol policy should be enforced within residential halls.

Jen Kroll, an RA on second Milnes Hall, feels that Residential Life makes it perfectly clear on what is expected of them. "It's not so much that drinking is not allowed if you're of age, but more drinking on your own time when you're not on duty. If you're intoxicated, you can't perform your job correctly."

Resident Advisors are required to be on duty at least two times a week at night, and rotate weekends. This gives them the opportunity to go out and drink if that's what they wish to do. But they are warned that drinking with residents, even off campus, could come back to haunt them. "We don't get involved

Please see RA on page 2

Problems in Pods 3 and 4

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

Misconceptions over what lab assistants in Micheels Hall are there for have left students upset and frustrated lately. Complaints from students have risen that lab assistants are not knowledgeable enough on the computer systems to help with software problems, especially in Pod 4.

One student said, " Everytime I have problems, assistants just don't know what they are doing." "Not only can they not help me on certain problems, they sometimes refuse to even try. Sometimes they say they don't know that program, so they just can't help," another commented.

Little do students know that a lab assistant's job description isn't to be knowledgeable on every software program in the computer lab.

"They are not there to hold students' hands," Linda Heath, Micheels Hall, lab supervisor, said. "Lab assistants responsibilities are to keep things running neat and orderly, make sure printers are running, paper is filled, computer labs are picked up, and for security purposes."

Pod 4 is an art lab with many software programs, that if not an art students a person would find them difficult to figure out. A lot of the problems occurring in Pod 4 are from students not being prepared enough to work with the software in the lab. Students sometimes have a lack of experience with the programs and how they work. "Students try to fix what they perceive to be wrong and only cause bigger problems," lab assistant Justin Pitts, said.

Professors should be resources for problems or confusions with programs students are using for homework. Students can't expect, with all the high-end software, to think a full-time student knows it all. A majority of the lab assistants can help students with basic problems and are fairly knowledgeable of the Eudora system and general software programs. If students are lucky, a lab assistant may be an art student and be able to help with problems in Pod 4 or possibly with other software in the main lab.

With only one to three lab assistants working at a time and over 200 computers and tons of different software downloaded into the systems, Heath said, "It's not easy to accommodate and fix everyone's problems," Heath believes. She says students need to be patient; lab assistants are learning as they go along, as are the students. It's not the lab assistant's job to know and fix all problems that occur, it's out of courtesy they take the time to help figure things out if they can.

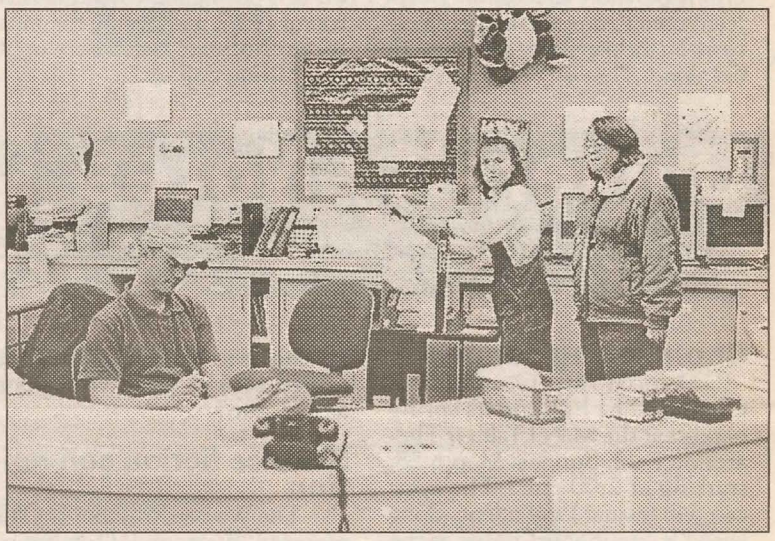


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In Micheels Hall, these lab assistants remain behind the desk. Students have been complaining about the lack of help recieved labs. Lab personnel say their job doesn't require helping.

Police raid local party house

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Late Friday night Menomonie Police raided 1009 6th Street, a party house known as "the Church". With the help of several confidential informants and a police search warrant, members of the house as well as others were arrested on an array of charges, many of them drug-related.

Officers arrived at the house at 9:40 p.m. after three informants said they were charged $5 for beer and observed underage drinking and drug activity taking place. Two initial officers waited at the 6th Street entrance while a search warrant was obtained and were instructed to enter was soon as it had been served. Approximately 10 minutes later the officers entered. The party was disbanded and police searched rooms of several residents.

According to police reports, two male residents were charged with furnishing alcohol to underage persons and selling alcohol without a license and one with an additional possession of drug paraphernalia. Two others were arrested on the scene when officers searched the lower level apartment. One of these, a female resident, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia for two marijuana pipes found in her room. The other, a recent Stout graduate, was arrested for possesssion of THC (marijuana), possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of one tablet of the drug 'Ecstasy'. According to the Dunn County District Attorney's office, possession of the hallucinogenic is considered a misdemeanor. Both suspects were detained overnight at the Dunn County jail.

Lieutenant Briggs, an officer on the scene, declined comment on the case, saying it was still under investigation. He did say that the residence had been visited on several prior occassions for alcohol-related incidents.

In a twist, one resident claims the police search warrant was void as it was issued for 1009 6th Street, and not 1009 1/2 which is the apartment below where two arrests were made. According to a report filed by Sgt. Bammert, "Upon assisting on a search warrant, I secured the basement apartments at 1009 6th St. E..." The resident also claims a sign with the 1009 1/2 on it was hanging above the apartment door that night.

Further details will follow as the case is further investigated

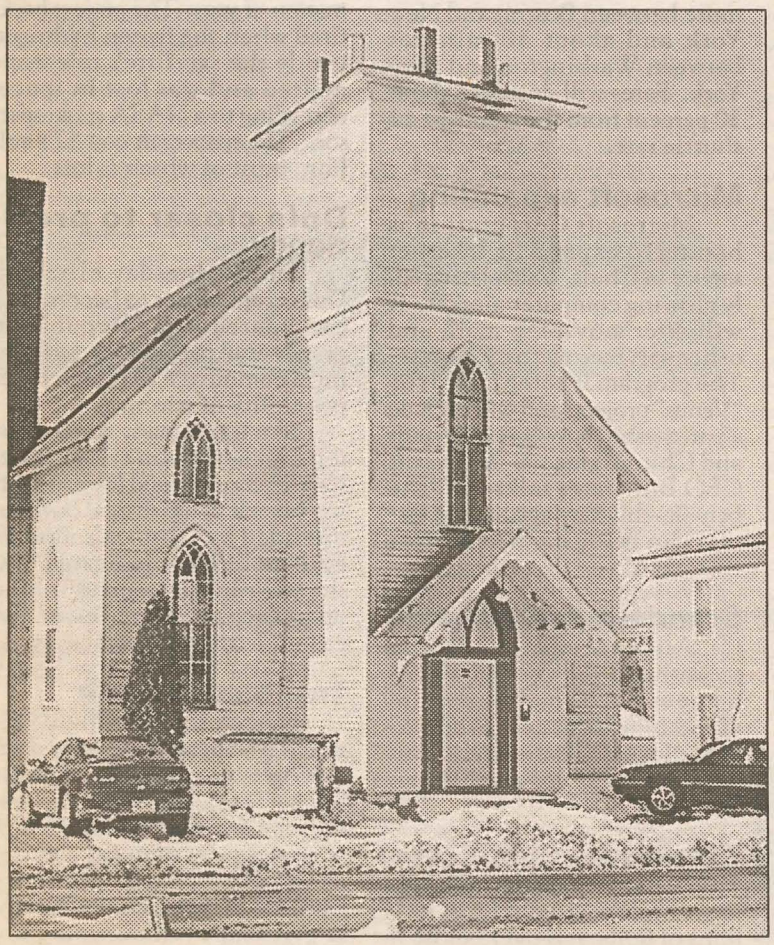


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Police received information from confidential informants on Friday that led them to 1009 6th Street. Residents of "The Church" were charged with alcohol and drug related activities.

SSA vetos new budget; receives student criticism

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

The Stout Student Association (SSA) vetoed the old budget and slightly amended and passed a new budget on Wednesday. All this happened in about two hours, record time for a SSA meeting.

Passing a new budget is something that affects and is important to many organizations. When the now failed budget and Senate motion USS 29-81 was voted down, many organizations were surprised, while some were worried.

SSA's president, Henry Tyler, reasoned that a new budget was in order, due to what he saw as explicit favoritism towards club sports/athletic organizations and the Black Student Union's requests.

Members of the Inter Greek Council (IGC) had concerns about the budget veto. Their concerns stemmed mainly from Greek members who were actively involved in organizations that were threatened by the new budget proposal.

Trying to protect their participants, IGC sent a letter to Tyler. The letter urged the reconsideration of the old budget and stated IGC's concerns.

During the meeting, members of the Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority listened as Tyler read IGC's letter. Afterwards, he replied with one of his own.

The answering letter supported Tyler's decision to veto and recommended that the IGC look into the matter further stating, "I understand that you have decided to take action based solely on information that you have not investigated." Also advising IGC, Tyler wrote, "I hope that your future concerns and questions can be directed to me in a tactful, professional and proactive manner."

Despite their attendence, none of the members of Sigma Sigma Sigma, they made no reply to Tyler's comments. Gunnar Moriarty, IGC President, had this to say about Tyler's letter, "Our reply was made in a tactful way and handed to him personally by our IGC representative. The information we received was that the budget had been vetoed. We approved of the budget and were concerned for Greeks that participate in organizations. Our letter was just letting him know our feelings on the budget; the idea that it was in any way tactless is preposterous to me."

For the majority of the organizations, there turned out to be little or no change in money allocations. Those groups that received major cuts were Campus Music Productions, $5,750, Recreations Committee General Programming, $1600, Institute of Packaging Professionals, -$900, and the Men's Rugby Club, $807.

Three organizations benefitted from the new budget: S.P.I.R.I.T.S., $1370; the Hmong Student Organization, $390; and Family Weekend Committee, $500.

New service program cutting-edge

by Christine Schefers
Staff Reporter

UW-Stout is now offering the first program of its kind in the nation called Service Management. The program,which opened last September, has 45 students enrolled in it including 23 student majors, and is jointly offered between the Technology Engineering and Hospitality and Tourism programs. Its target is 125 students in the year 2003, with an addition of 25 new students each year.

Service Management is aimed at students interested in cutting-edge business management and focuses on superior customer service.

Program director Dr. Leland Nicholls explains, "The major is designed for students who will manage for-profit or non-profit businesses or companies and organizations who realize high-performance service. The students may go on to manage businesses that emphasize service over manufacturing, which will probably continue to make those businesses more successful. Levi's Jeans used to do excellent business based on the popularity of their product alone. That isn't cutting it anymore, and they've been facing tough competition from similar products offering better quality service."

Jobs available in Service Management include positions in real estate, airlines, insurance, banking, health care, and software companies to name a few. Service Management majors have been offered internships with Land's End, a high-quality clothing manufacturer known for its excellent customer service, which operates sophisticated call centers handling orders and complaints.

"Ninety-seven percent of the jobs created in Wisconsin last year were service jobs offering high salaries. A common concept that some people make is that service jobs equal low pay, but that's really not the truth," he said.

Stout is also on the heels of recent technology. It offers an on-line class in electronic service management. With such importance placed on personal customer service, how does on-line service fare? Exceptionally well, according to Nicholls. "Six hundred million dollars were spent on gifts bought on-line during the Christmas season of 1997, and during the most recent holidays, sales were up to two billion dollars."

Student IDs a security risk

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

In a recent decision, the UW System mandated that the use of Social Security numbers on student IDs be prohibited, according to Ann Thies, Director of Food Service and University Dining Services. In order to comply, Stout, along with other UW campuses, must re-assign new numbers to the cards.

The decision comes after a federal regulation stating that Social Security numbers are private, and should not be used for identification purposes on students' cards. The regulation makes it mandatory that colleges reassign students with new cards by the year 2000.

Increased security for students is the main reason for the decision. The new numbers will be assigned randomly and will allow students to feel at ease, since their social security numbers will no longer be shown to the hundreds who sees their card. Since students use their cards all around campus, having a generic number on the cards will protect students if the ID becomes misplaced or lost.

Getting rid of the social security numbers on IDs also protects students from corporations contacting them through the tracking of their Social Security number. Although there have not been any incidents of fraud concerning students' Social Security numbers on Stout's campus, it has happened on other campuses, and it is important to prevent any further cases from occuring.

Other schools, such as UW-Eau Claire, will be completely transforming their student ID cards, designing them much the same way Stout has already done, with a digitalized photo and a credit card type ID, rather than the laminated card they previously held. In addition, they are considering a contract with AT&T in which the IDs could also be used as calling cards. But they are not required to use the ID for a long-distance calling card if they don't choose to. Stout already adopted this program; students' ID cards currently double as AT&T calling cards.

The new ID cards will begin to print this May, and students may pick up their new ID this summer or fall. The old cards will be deactivated before the new school year starts. Except for the identification number changing, all other facets of the ID card should remain the same, and there will be no cost to students for the new cards.

University Notes

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Submitted News Releases

Choir spring concert

Menomonie Community Choir will be holding its spring concert at the Mabel Tainter Theater on Palm Sunday, March 28, starting at 2:00 p.m. The concert will feature local talent, along with Dr. Stephanie Graber as the director, and Jackie Lindner as the pianist. Donations will be accepted at the door.

The Johnny Holm Band

The Johnny Holm Band will be on campus with the band Almost Home on Monday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. The event will be held in the Great Hall of the Memorial Student Center, and is brought to campus by FYE.

Water ski sign-up

The Collegiate Water Ski Team is currently signing new members. All skill levels, male or female, are invited to sign up. Boat, coaching, and instruction is provided, along with spring and fall ski seasons available. For more information call Riley Eckerman at 232-8422.

Recapalooza coming soon

University Recreation is sponsoring the second annual Recapalooza on March 23. Recapalooza is a spectacle of sporting games, inflatable games, and carnival games of skill for all students, staff, and faculty. The event will be from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. in the Johnson Fieldhouse.

Scholarships offered

Menomonie Area Working Women (MAWW) is offering two $250 scholarships this spring to non-traditional female students who live, work at, or attend a post-secondary school in Dunn County. Candidates must be at least 25 years old and have returned to school to further their education. Applications must be in before March 29, and are available outside office 126E in Harvey Hall. For additional information or to have an application mailed, contact Sarah Williamson at 232-2367.

Science fiction convention

The Wausau West Sci-Fi Club presents "Westcon IV" on Saturday, May 1 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The convention will be held at Wausau West High School in Wausau, Wisconsin. Gaming, a costume contest, videos, vendors, demonstrations, door prizes, and lunch will all be available. Admission is $3. If interested, call Keith at (715) 675-9699.

Samuel E. Wood Medallion Award

Applications are now available for the Medallion Award. Any senior graduating in May, August, or December 1999 with a minimum GPA of 2.8 may apply. The Medallion Award is the highest non-academic award Stout offers. Applications can be picked up at the SOC Desk. They're due by 4:00 p.m. April 12.

Women and leadership

On March 24, Stout will play host to a celebration of women and leadership. This celebration includes several sessions, networking, a reception, and a special guest speaker, Jean Feraca from Wisconsin Public Radio. It is free and will be in the MSC from 4:00-7:30 p.m.

James Loewen

Author James Loewen will be coming to campus on Thrusday, March25 to talk about his book "Lies my Teacher Told Me." This book is a critique of existing history textbooks, and it also retells American history as it should, and could, be taught. The admission is free and will be presented in the Great Hall at 7:00 p.m.

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Police Beat

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from
UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Dumping of hazardous material

A disposal pick-up contractor reported that he had to go to the hospital after emptying the dumpsters on the north side of South Hall. Later investigation revealed seven jugs and a case of Quaker State quarts all full of waste oil. Residents were questioned and no witnesses were found.

Fire alarm/false alarm

A smoke detector in the Rendezvous set off the fire alarm system in the Home Economics building on March 1. A portable stove placed directly beneath the detector was the cause. The fire alarm system was reset.

Controlled substance

On March 5 a custodian turned over a tied sandwich baggie which contained a small amount of a green-ish vegetable substance. She found it on fourth floor Milnes Hall. A field test was conducted and proved positive for marijuana.

Suspicious person

A female staff member reported that a male caller left a message on her voice mail saying he took her class because she was beautiful and asked her out to coffee. He left his extension but there isn't a student registered with that number. The message is assumed to be for someone else.

Citations

For the week of March 1-7, there were six citations for underage alcohol, one for possession of false ID, one for marijuana possession, one resisting officer, one false information to the police, one deposit of human waste, and two citations for unauthorized presence.

RA/alcohol

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with their behavior outside the halls, unless their behavior outside the halls come back to affect their job performance," Ramage said. "Any RA that has been terminated this year for alcohol has had multiple issues. But that doesn't mean that they were bad RAs. Other than the mistakes they made about alcohol, they were very good RAs."

The Department of Residential Life often puts RAs on probation after hearing of a single alcohol incident affecting their performance. Rammage did not hear of Gilson's offenses until there were more than one, and at that time felt probation would not be enough.

"I did enjoy being an RA, but I'm just like other normal college students and chose to drink occasionally," explains Gilson. "But I don't hold grudges, I still will contintue to be friends with all the other RAs in that building."

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt and Jasmine Hollyfield

McDougal trial to begin

Wednesday marked the beginning of opening statements of the trial against Susan McDougal. McDougal is a Whitewater figure facing a three-count indictment for refusal to talk to the Whitewater grand jury regarding President Clinton's business dealings in Arkansas and for use of a $300,000 fraudulent loan. If convicted, McDougal faces a fine of up to $750,000.

Storms hit country

Areas across the country were hit with large amounts of snow on Tuesday and Wednesday. In the Midwest, the weather caused traffic accidents, power outages, and school closings, as over a foot of snow fell in a short time. Even in areas that don't normally see much snow, such as West Virginia, Virginia, and Washington D.C., were hit with nearly a foot of snow.

New Amtrak offer

In New York, Amtrak unveiled America's first high-speed rail service on Tuesday. This new technology will cost $2 billion, and will travel between New York, Boston, and Washington at the rapid speed of 150 mph. The new service will begin to run in October 1999. With this new technology, Amtrak believes that as much as 90 minutes will be taken off of the commute between Boston and New York and about 30 minutes between Washington and New York. Fares will decrease about 30 percent from the standard air shuttle rate.

Microsoft expanding

Microsoft Corporation is hoping to expand its Internet service in China, which is a rapidly growing computer market. It will offer movies, e-mail, and other services to the Chinese. The program is being called the "Venus" project, and will include a partnership between Microsoft and China Telecom. Microsoft CEO Bill Gates talked of "the benefits this new, specialized system can bring to the Chinese customer."

Scandal hits Minnesota

An academic scandal has recently hit the U of M. A former employee claims she did take-home exams for four current players. This could mean ineligibility for the game versus Gonzaga.

Star research mission

A mission aimed at researching stars, which would cost millions of dollars, is over before it even began. A satellite, nicknamed "Wire," was developed to study galaxies of starbursts. Starbursts refer to the rapid formation of stars. The project backfired when the frozen hydrogen inside the satellite's telescope melted and was lost in space, according to a NASA spokesperson. The spacecraft cost $73 million, most of which is lost.

Dole closer to presidency

On Wednesday Elizabeth Dole crept closer to becoming a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination by forming a committee to research her possibility of winning.

She has already started airing commercials in crucial states New Hampshire and Iowa, depicting herself as a political outsider offended by Clinton's morals. Early polls have indicated that she was running second behind undeclared candidate Texas Governor George W. Bush.

Troubled Hubble

NASA said Wednesday it would launch an emergency shuttle flight to repair the Hubble Space Telescope before an ailing pointing system halts its flow of spectacular pictures and scientific data. Officials decided to launch it in mid-October. Another gyroscope failure would not place it in danger, but would prevent it from pointing at its astrological targets.

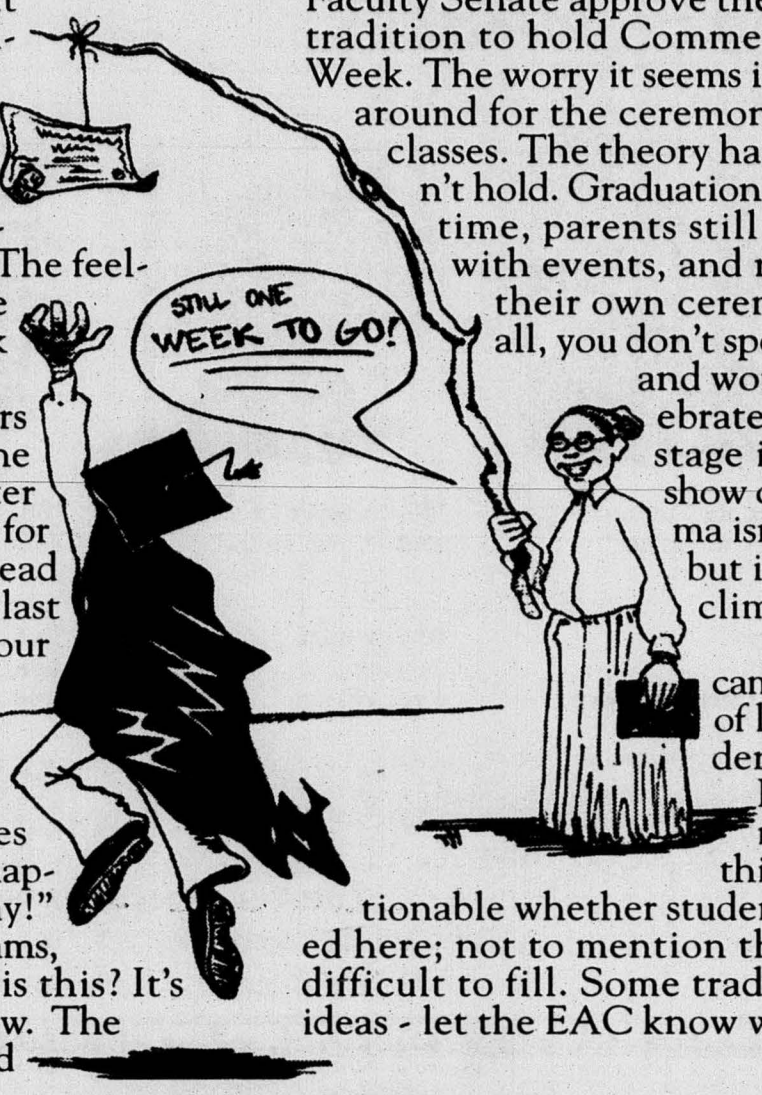
Editorial

The big tease

There's this one day, probably about seven semesters into the college experience, when everything begins to look different. You realize your friends are mostly losers, you can't eat another box of cheap noodles, real people don't have beer box entertainment centers, and college as a career is just not where it's at. The feeling is like both floating on Cloud Nine and landing straight in front of a Mack truck. You're ready for the real world.

So after those five, six, or eight years of classes, the end is finally here and the culmination is the grad ceremony. After awakening in a drunken stupor at 8 a.m. for probably the first Saturday ever, you head to the Fieldhouse for what feels like the last time. The Chancellor actually shakes your hand, your parents are actually proud this time, and you are finally done. Partying, packing, and saying goodbyes is all you're thinking about as you walk off stage. One of your professors shakes your hand and then the unimaginable happens- she says, "See you in class Monday!"

Whoa. Rewind. Calculus, physics, exams, essays, papers...what kind of sick joke is this? It's actually our sick joke for over 20 years now. The Educational Activities Committee and Faculty Senate approve the calendar, and it has become tradition to hold Commencement before Evaluation Week. The worry it seems is that students wouldn't stick around for the ceremony if they were all done with classes. The theory has some merit, but it just doesn't hold. Graduation parties have to happen sometime, parents still would want to be involved with events, and no more students would skip their own ceremony than already do. After all, you don't spend a quarter of your life here and work for honorary tassels to celebrate alone. That walk across the stage is priceless; it's your time to show off. It may seem silly, the diploma isn't really handed out that day, but it nevertheless represents the climax to years of grueling work.



Like so many other issues on campus, this seems to be the result of little or no student input. Students hold two positions on the Educational Activities Committee and have voted to keep this tradition going, but its questionable whether student opinion is truly represented here; not to mention that even these two seats are difficult to fill. Some traditions were just never good ideas - let the EAC know what you think.

Ventura overrated

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

Jamie Dean
Columnist

Many people who supported Jesse Ventura's well-publicized campaign for governor of Minnesota may regret their haste, now that they finally have hard evidence of his actual political policies.

Sure, it may be fun having a former professional wrestler making major decisions that are going to affect your life. But now that the majority of the hype surrounding Ventura has died down, it is becoming clear that, contrary to the myth of his "breath of fresh air" appeal, he is a political animal just like any other.

It's a little hard to believe that Ventura could seem a more appropriate candidate for governor than someone who has had a more relevant, people-oriented career. A former physician or community worker - someone who has had experience working with and listening to what ordinary people have to say would be a perfect example. This is an important factor when you consider that you're going to have to trust this person to protect your rights and your interests.

It's true, show business may not be the most honest profession, specifically pro-wrestling, which employs acting and visual trickery to simulate real physical damage. This is not the ideal quality for a representative of the people.

Ventura's election victory rested precariously on the fact that in Minnesota he is a universally recognized figure - similar conditions which led to Ronald Reagan's success in the presidential elections. America is, after all, the land of show business, so perhaps we shouldn't find this so surprising.

A good political candidate, it seems, isn't necessarily someone who is good at doing his or her job but someone who can win peoples' trust and offer an apparently fresh alternative to the last guy in office. Otherwise, it would have been Ventura's speech writer who was elected governor.

Although it would be a mistake to judge his political future solely with reference to his past, it would be an even greater mistake to think that he is going to be any more cordial with his electoral promises than any other politician.

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Letters

While I have some questions and opinions about the substance of the article in the March 4 Stoutonia on parking, this message is about the term "faculty" as it is used in that article. To begin with, this campus has no parking places or parking permits reserved for faculty- for staff, yes, but not for faculty.

The faculty at any given university (and most colleges) are that part of the instructional staff that has been invited by their colleagues to be a part of the scholarly community on that campus. At UW-Stout, that means the faculty are those instructors who have tenure or are working toward tenure. However, we usually include all teaching staff in the term faculty - but nobody else. Traditionally, because of many years (20-25 in most cases) of education, contributions to the body of knowledge in their fields, and highly recognized expertise in those fields, faculty was an elite group charged with designing and controlling the curriculum.

That is no longer the case. Many situations largely related to cost effectiveness influence decisions about what students need.

Back to parking; in the parking lots in question faculty and other teaching staff for that matter must compete for parking spaces with administrators, those who work in the Financial Aid Office, the Food Service, those who work in the Student Union, and those who deal with student organizations. We don't have to compete with high level administrators (Chancellor, Provost, etc.) who have reserved parking "services" and are guaranteed places just outside their building. Administrators of residence halls are also guaranteed parking spaces.

While I wish that the university would return to being primarily an educational organization, I have to admit that all those people above, and many more, serve students. Their jobs, like mine, exist to see that the campus administers to students' needs. Since students are likely to be sitting in a classroom untaught if I can't find a parking spot, since they are likely to have a long wait at Financial Aid or in the Commons if those people can't find places to park, I believe it is best that UW-Stout remain in the tradition of most campuses and most businesses by promoting service to "customers." One way of doing that is to see those servants to students have a place to put their cars when they must drive to campus.

Meanwhile, I would appreciate an effort by the Stoutonia to use the word faculty more nearly correctly to refer only to highly educated teaching staff.

Thank you,

Sue Bridwell Beckham,
Professor of English

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Campus Slant

Taking the pulse of the campus

Should wrestling be co-ed?



"No, it would be unfair; we'd kick everyone's ass."

Jodie Witzman
Erin Dudley
Seniors
Business



"As long as her outfit is as tight as mine."

B.J. Kays
Sophomore
Manufacturing Eng.



"Yeah, only if they add cream corn."

Brian Rice
Senior
Packaging



"Sure, and so should cats and dogs."

Matt Nehring
Senior
Manufacturing Eng.



"It depends on the weight limits."

J.J. Miller
Junior
Psychology

Next Week's Question: "Should Tyson be allowed to fight again?"

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Fighting the flame: how to put that fire out

■ With approximately 465 calls a year to the Menomonie Fire Department, the chance of combating a fire is a very real possibility.

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Jessica's homework is forgotten as she hears the jarring screams of her roommate across the house. "Fire! Fire!," Maria yells as she intently waves a towel over the smoking stove. "What do we do?" they ask simultaneously.

Fires are much more prevalent than people realize. There are approximately three million fires in the U.S. each year. As a result, the fire departments respond to a fire every 10 seconds. The statistics counteract Americans' everyday thoughts and lifestyles. A house is on fire every 45 seconds and someone is burned every 17 seconds in the U.S. This should most certainly open students' eyes to the fact that a fire in a dorm, house or apartment is possible.

In Menomonie there are approximately 465 calls a year for a fire with a very minimal percentage of true false alarms. "Carelessness has much to do with how fires are started," Menomonie Fire Department Captain Dorian Spielman said. He explained that normally the number one cause of fire is an unattended stove, with ashtrays coming in a close second. He suggested that when dumping the ashtray out, wait until morning so the ashes can cool. Then dump them in a metal trash container.

There are four classes of fire categorized depending on the kind of material "fuel" that is burning:

Class A, the most common, are fires fueled by materials that leave a residue in a form of ash when they burn. Examples include: paper, wood, cloth, rubber, and certain plastics.

Class B are fires involving flammable liquids and gasses such as gasoline, paint thinner, kitchen grease, and propane.

Class C fires involve energized electrical wiring or equipment such as motors, computers, and panel boxes.

The last, Class D, are fires which involve exotic metals like magnesium, sodium, and titanium.

Within each type of fire there are three uniform stages. First is the incipient stage, which reaches up to 200 degrees. An example is a wastepaper basket burning. Secondly, the fire moves to the free burn stage, that reaches up to 1200 to 1500 degrees. Last, the smoldering stage, is classified as such when there is nothing left to burn.

Many respond with questions when confronting a fire. The immediate concern should be the safety of the persons involved with the fire and in the surrounding area. It is important to then call the local fire department no matter the level (better to be safe than sorry) and inform them so they can arrive to combat the fire. If it's felt that the fire is small enough or can be combated by residents, they should make sure the call is still made and there is always an exit route between them and the fire. It is essential to keep a distance and always have a way to leave the fire.

A typical way for most to combat a fire is with a fire extinguisher. Extinguishers will carry an ABCD marking to indicate the class of fires against which they may properly be used. Use the extinguisher only with the indicated class, or it may increase the fire's intensity. The four steps that are to be followed when using the extinguisher coincide with the acronym PASS. Pull the lock pin, aim the nozzle at the base of the fire, squeeze the trigger, and sweep side to side over the fire.

If confronted at any point with a fire, call the Menomonie Fire Department. They have certified fire fighters on staff at all times with 20 people on call.

Fire Captain Spielman thinks much of avoiding a fire is using common sense and paying attention to surroundings and the activities which are taking place.

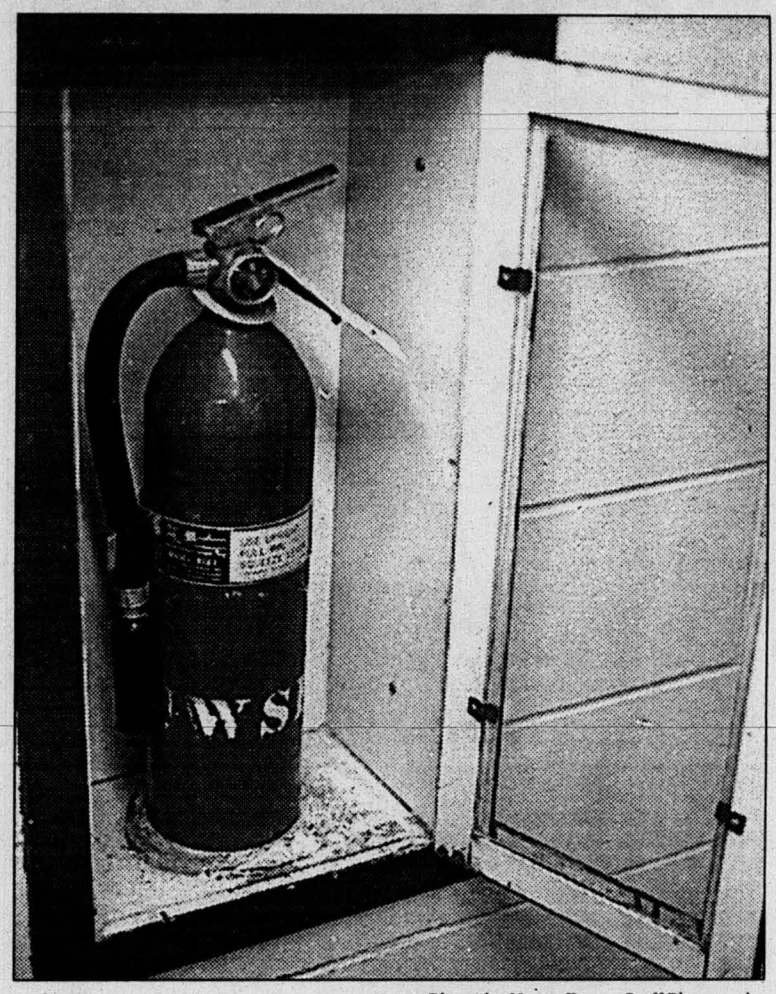


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This is a f-i-r-e e-x-t-i-n-g-u-i-s-h-e-r. It puts out fires. To use, pull out the pin, squeeze the trigger, and aim at the base of the fire. Any questions?

Swing Crew

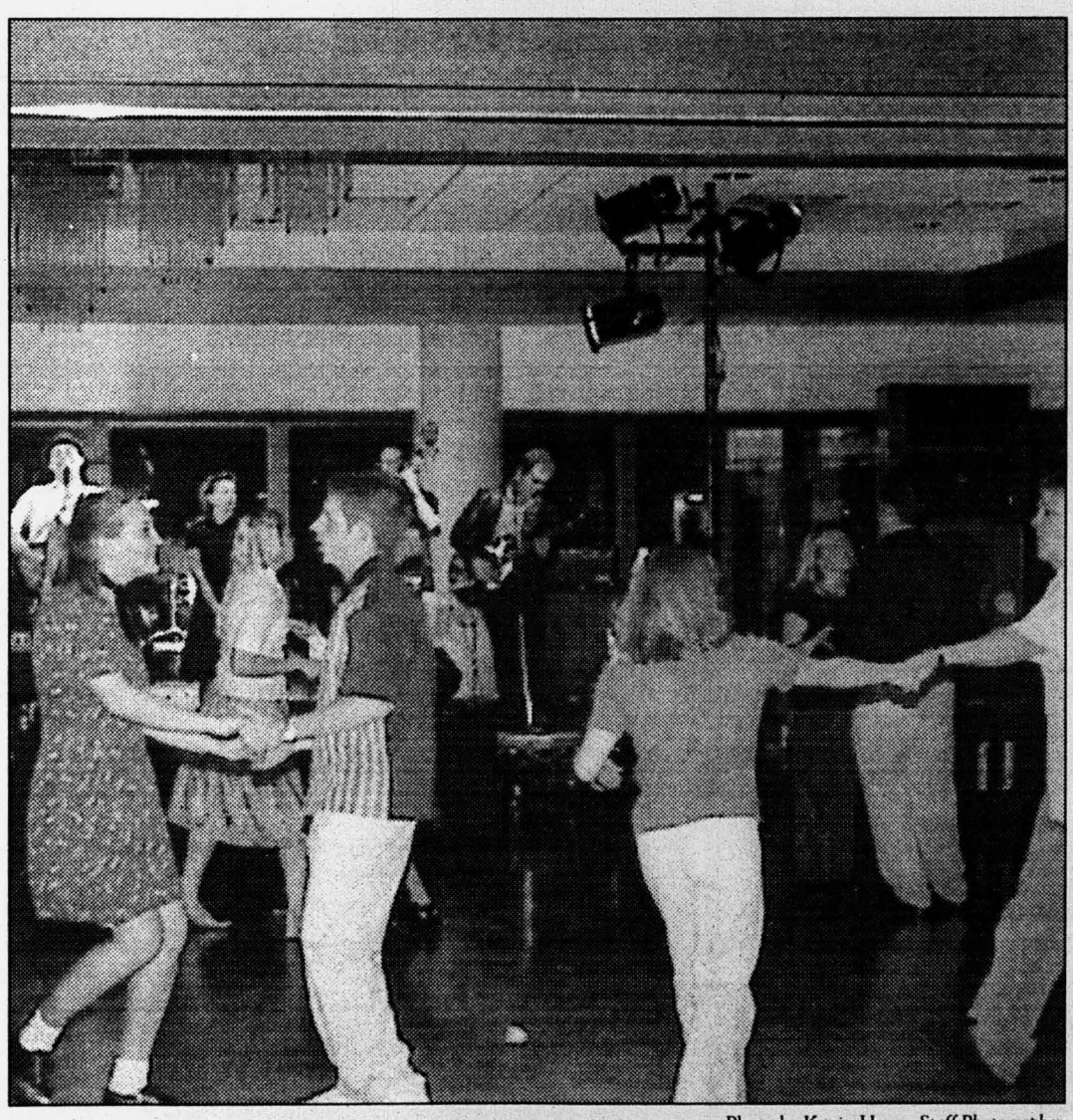


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Last Friday marked the end of the three swing lessons and the time to show off all the new moves. Following the hour lesson, swing band Jack Buzzards played from 8 to 11 p.m. The swingin' events were sponsored by campus groups FYE and CMP.

...Just Another Day

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents maybe sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week, Chloe is "The fire in da house."

by Chloe Hopkins
Student Life Reporter

Less than a week until the big S-day! I have to admit I am getting a little nervous. Despite my constant chaos of everyday life, I have never been in the hospital before (besides the emergency room). No broken bones, no stitches, no mysterious illnesses for me. I've been a pretty healthy individual all my life. And then this comes along. I don't even know what to expect.

Besides that, my week has been pretty boring. Oh, wait, I did get into the middle of a fight at The Flame last Thursday. Can I just say that certain guys should not be allowed any amount of alcohol. In all seriousness, what gets into them? One minute they are on the dance floor having a jammin' time, and the next they are slamming every other innocent dancer into the wall to get to their sworn nemesis. Is there some enormous shift in the hormonal balance when a beer is ingested into the body? Or is it more of an ego boost? All of a sudden, all the males' heads inflate to twice the normal size and they think they can beat the shit out of anyone. No matter what explanation is given to me, I will never understand this male concept of making the other guy bleed.

My roommates and I were just having a good time when, surprise, surprise, a bar fight. And, as usual, both participants were male. Like any other stupid bar-goer, I walk right up to it and huddle around to watch. This is fine until I see one of the guys push the other into my roommate. Oblivious to what was happening, she was caught in the middle. The next thing I know, she was on a short trip to the muddy ground. Her head slammed against the tile and she lay there curled up in the fetal position. The guys stopped fighting, right? NO! In fact, these guys aren't even watching to avoid stepping on her. They are still throwing punches on top of her.

Meanwhile, we have nameless people trying to grab the two members and pull them away from each other. Let me tell you, they were having little success. Finally, as the guys stepped back from each other, I decided to just "jump" in the middle. I didn't exactly know at the time what my POA was, so I decided to improvise.



Luckily I caught the guys off balance. This gave me time to grab the more sane of the two and push him hard in the opposite direction. I didn't even care at this point I was so appalled.

"What the @#@#$$ do you think you are doing?" I screamed. "My roommates came here to dance and have a good time. Now thanks to your heroic deed, people are trying to scrape her off the floor. Assholes like you should get a life. Now, get out of here before I make you scream for mercy." I threw in a round house kick, hook, right, hook, roundhouse to prove myself. He was scared.

At this point, I realized my hands still had the death grip around his neck. Subtly, I released pressure and dropped them to my sides. "Just go apologize to my roommate," I replied, "if she is actually conscious now."

After that incident, we all had a good time. I was kind-of confused because every time I ran into the guy thereafter he hid behind his friends. Once, just to see his reaction, I pretended to approach him like I was going to start something. I threw in a kick and he ran away. I think this means I'm pretty tough.

Frozen in Time: women's history



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

The audience was captured by the performance of Hope McLeod on Wednesday, as she painted the history of Wisconsin women with song and poetry.

by Sarah Blarek
Staff Reporter

Dressed in vintage clothing and singing lively ballads about the projected photos behind her, musician Hope McLeod captured the strength, wisdom, and grace of several Wisconsin women that lived from the mid-1850s to the early 1900s. "Frozen in Time" was one of the several on-campus events planned during March to commemorate Women's History Month, which is a national celebration.

McLeod detailed some of her own lineage and emphasized the importance of each individual in the audience documenting their own history for future generations. "Luckily I come from a long line of women who wrote things down, therefore I know their history and mine," she said. The details of prior generations enabled her mother to compile a book about nine generations of her family.

Students agreed that "Frozen in Time" ignited personal reflection, in addition to telling the colorful histories of Wisconsin women. "It was interesting that she knew so much about specific women of Menomonie. She also made me want to look into my own ancestry," Lacey Kleven, freshman said.

McLeod included stories of women who helped slaves in the underground railroad, a poem written by an Ojibwa woman, and told the tale of a lifetime friendship between two women, among other songs and narratives.

There are several other famous women in the history of Menomonie that were not mentioned in "Frozen in Time." There is also a handful of local organizations established to keep Wisconsin and its residents aware of their personal and the state's history.

Detective Beth Winge

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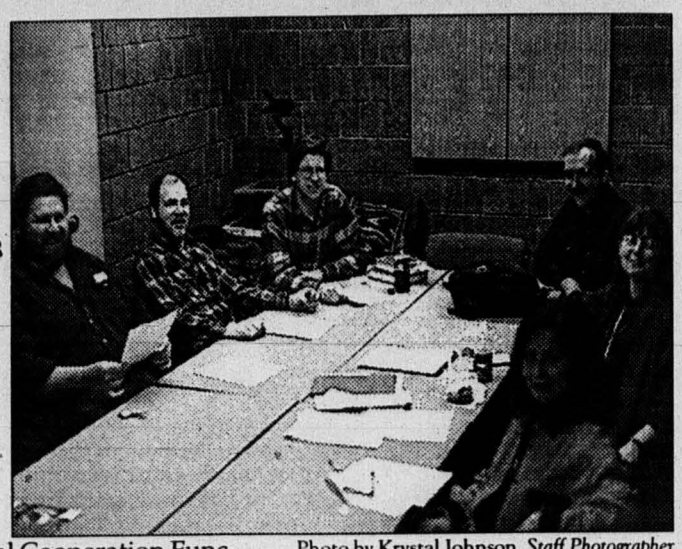


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Under investigation for: Holding an underground luncheon meeting every Wednesday afternoon in the Prairie Room of the Memorial Student Center.

Past behavior: Under the pretense of being valet parking workers, certain members were arrested at the Dunn County Electrical Cooperation Function at the Memorial Student Center for stealing cars. Their alibi was that they were doing a fund-raiser. It has been rumored that similar acts have been repeatedly performed by these members at a variety of functions. In addition, reports have been made of them creating a float for Homecoming one year and entering the contest. Bribes were made to the judges but they couldn't be swayed.

Common misconception: A student has to be a certain age to join. Actually, any student dealing with added stressors such as being a parent, taking care of elderly parents or being divorced can be initiated into the clan

Current reports have suggested: The laundering of money into an illegal fund to be given to three of the members at the end of the year. Under the front of a "scholarship," this cash is currently stashed under a mattress somewhere.

Suspicious behavior: Private investigators have reported seeing questionable members characterized by a inconspicuous "brown bag" they carry. Word is these people roam freely among innocent students on campus. Warning to all students: Do not talk to these people. Do not get them involved with events on campus. And never, never ask them their age.

Future investigations concerning: Although much has been recorded, the actual members blend in too well with the rest of the studentbody. They are rumored to be approximately 30 people in this clan; the next step is getting some names down on paper.

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Predicting the unpredictable - 1999 Oscars

The voting has been done, the ballots are in, and on March 21, when most of us are recovering from our Spring Break extravaganza, the world will learn who the "secret committee" believes did the best job in cinema during the past year.

Unfortunately for us, whomever the Academy bestows their little golden statues with will be immortalized in time as "truly" the greatest of the year. This method has failed repeatedly in the past, (i. e. *The Godfather*, *The Shawshank Redemption*, *Good Will Hunting*) but gives us a great form of entertainment in its own right nonetheless.

So, in two weeks, Whoopi Goldberg will read these nominees off and award one statue to each category. Here's, a short rundown of each of the major categories, along with the odds of who will triumph.



Casey Klein

What: The 1999 Academy Awards
When: March 21
Host: Whoopi Goldberg
Most notable: Tom Hanks will be up for an unprecedented third Best Actor award. Expect him to be under pressure from newcomer Edward Norton and the suprising Nick Nolte.

So without any further ado, the nominees are...

Best Supporting Actress

Lynn Redgrave - ***Gods and Monsters*. 5:1.**
Rachel Griffiths - ***Hilary and Jackie*. 6:1.**
Brenda Blethyn - ***Little Voice*. 9:1.**
Kathy Bates - ***Primary Colors*. 2:1.**
Judi Dench - ***Shakespeare in Love*. 3:1.**

This is by far the tightest competition at the awards ceremony. This stems from the fact that NO ONE'S HEARD OF THE FIRST THREE MOVIES! Were they only playing in selected cities? Cause I'm pretty sure they didn't come to Menomonie.

Bates should rightfully walk away with this category, but look for some pressure from Dench (who breathed life into one of history's stiffest characters) for two reasons: 1) *Shakespeare in Love* was released during the traditional Oscar push, while *Primary Colors* may have been the forgotten early spring flick and 2) If *Shakespeare* does a sweep of other categories, the effect may trickle down here.

As for the other contestants, being in movies that only 10 people saw is not going to cut it.

Best Supporting Actor

James Coburn - *Affliction*. 6:1.
Robert Duvall - *Civil Action*. 4:1.
Geoffrey Rush - *Shakespeare in Love*. 5:1.
Billy Bob Thorton - *A Simple Plan*. 1.5:1.
Ed Harris - *The Truman Show*. 3:1.

Here is a group of actors who each deserve a statue. So don't be surprised if the nod goes to Duvall who was robbed last year in the Best Actor category for *The Apostle*. (Jack Nicholas as a schizophrenic? That's not acting, that's reality.) Or perhaps it will be Harris, who outshone Jim Carrey (is that possible?) in a summer blockbuster. The Academy hates giving repeat awards, so don't expect Rush (although superb) to come away with the prize.

On raw talent, Thorton owns this category. His role in the Minnesota-filmed *A Simple Plan* should not only win an Oscar (his first), but place him on the list as one of the greatest actors of our time.

Best Actress

Fernanda Montenegro - *Central do Brasil*. 10:1.
Cate Blanchett - *Elizabeth*. 5:1.
Emily Watson - *Hilary and Jackie*. 5:1.
Meryl Streep - *One True Thing*. 4:1.
Gwyneth Paltrow - *Shakespeare in Love*. 3:1.

Another "tough call" category! The first four nominees gave a performance topping their previous careers, but it's newcomer Paltrow who stole the hearts of audiences everywhere in *Shakespeare in Love*. Expect her to take a trot to the podium.

If not Paltrow, Streep would be the next logical choice, deserving of an Oscar after a colorful career. As for the others, Blanchett was outshone by another "Elizabeth" and, again, only TEN PEOPLE saw *Hilary and Jackie*, but NO ONE saw *Central do Brasil*.

Best Actor

Nick Nolte - *Affliction*. 4:1.
Edward Norton - *American History X*. 3:1.
Ian McKellen - *Gods and Monsters*. 5:1.
Tom Hanks - *Saving Private Ryan*. 3.5:1.
Roberto Benigni - *Vita e Bella, La*. 15:1.

So, the inevitable has happened, and Tom Hanks has returned to his top form. Give him another Oscar you say?

Not so fast. It would be unprecedented for him to win three Oscars; I'm still shocked he has two. Expect him to be passed up in favor of... newcomer Norton.

Like Thorton, Norton is quickly gaining acclaim as one of the most versatile actors of our time. Since his entrance on the cinematic scene in *Primal Fear* (after Leonardo DiCapro backed out, I guess he had a boat to save) Norton was destined to be noticed by the Academy.

Nolte and McKellen give the performance of their careers (the term "career" is used loosely in Nolte's case) but are not deserving on this round. And as for Benigni, foreign films NEVER win.

Best Picture

***Elizabeth*. 15:1.**
***Saving Private Ryan*. 3:1.**
***Shakespeare in Love*. 5:1.**
***The Thin Red Line*. 7:1.**
***Vita e Bella, La*. 20:1.**

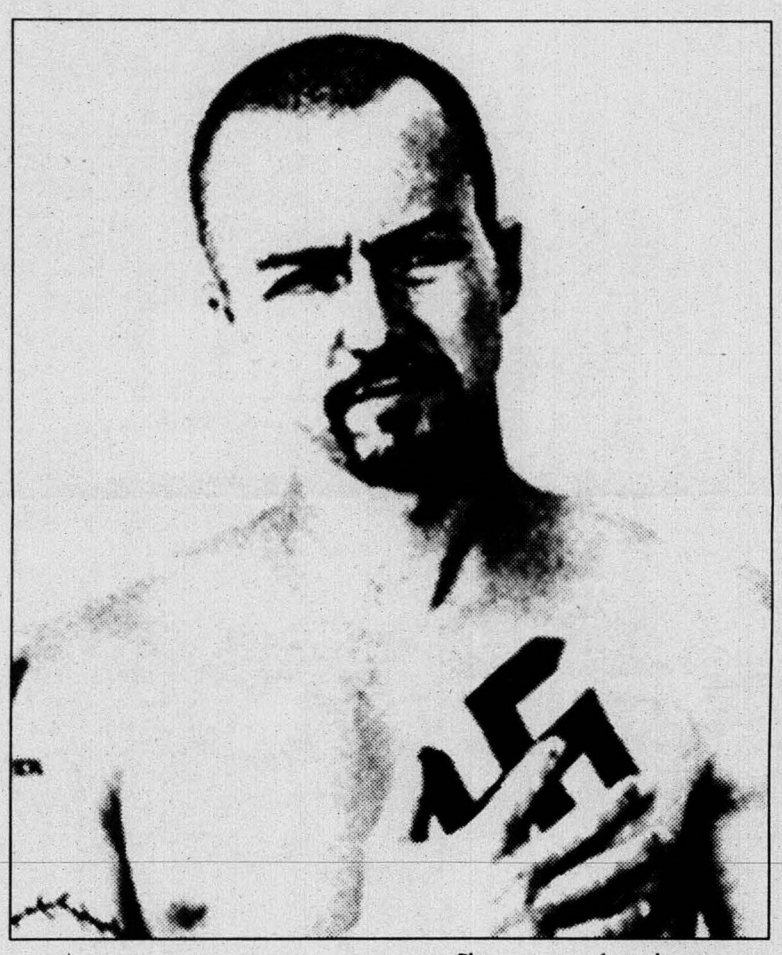


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Under the eye of the Academy since coming to the big screen, Edward Norton might strike gold this year with *American History X*, a tale of a reformed "neo-nazi" just returned from prison.

Best Director

Steven Spielberg - *Saving Private Ryan*. 3:1.
John Madden - *Shakespeare in Love*. 5:1.
Terrence Malick - *The Thin Red Line*. 7:1.
Peter Weir - *The Truman Show*. 15:1.
Roberto Benigni - *Vita e Bella, La*. 20:1.

These two categories go hand-in-hand, as a Best Picture nod will give the director a win. This has been consistent since *Driving Miss Daisy* failed in 1989.

We can, therefore, use the process of elimination to find our winner here. This knocks *Elizabeth* and Weir out, as their respectful counterparts were not nominated.

As is consistent through history, and this year's Best Actor category, foreign films NEVER win. This factor eliminates Benigni and his life's work in *Vita e Bella, La (Life is Beautiful)*.

The Thin Red Line has three components working against it: 1) Not too many people saw it as compared to the other two finalists, 2) It's boring as hell, 3) It came out in the same year as the breathtaking *Saving Private Ryan*.

This leaves us with *Shakespeare in Love* ("chick flick") versus *Saving Private Ryan* (non-chick flick) left standing. Here, I would have to give the edge to Spielberg and *Ryan*, as it is already the most well-received movie of the year.

The greatest weakness for *Shakespeare in Love* is the inexperience of director Madden. A virtual unknown, the Academy would find it extremely hard to award a director whose prior experience mostly entails TV specials.

So expect Spielberg to triumph again, while making a historical documentary come to life. Honestly, this man has more cinematic lives than the proverbial cat.

The only reason it will not win - the film is too violent. But like *Braveheart* has shown, the Academy is loosening up on this constriction and should award *Ryan* the Oscar.

All-in-all, there are surprises this year as there are every year. (Carrey, John Travolta, and Susan Sarandon not being nominated-come on!) This year promises to be one of the most unpredictable in recent memory. All the newcomers and the variety chosen should set up an exciting night on March 21. Be sure to tune in!

Horoscopes



For the week of March 11, 1999 through March 18, 1999

by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Today you will once again spend the entire day worried about your feet. Honestly, most people don't even notice these things. On the other hand, most people don't spontaneously grow more toes either.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
You'll feel like you can't do anything right today. As it turns out, you're not wrong.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
This is a good day to bake. Cinnamon rolls would be good, or perhaps some crusty bread. If you follow my advice, you will make friends and influence others. Otherwise, a horrifying fate awaits you. No pressure though. Do what you feel is right.



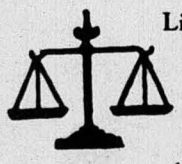
Cancer (June 21 - July 22)
Loosening up over Spring Break will give you the essential rest that you require. However, your break will be lengthened greatly when you're arrested for engaging in a few of those wild and tawdry acts you have in mind.



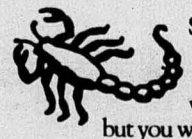
Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)
You will throw some comical remarks out during class today, forcing others to evaluate life's decisions. Eventually you will be asked to knock it off.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)
Excellent day to study quantum physics or possibly go bowling.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)
Old friends from far away shall return for a visit. Give them a good old-fashioned Menomonie tour. This could take a whole 10 minutes out of your plan for the day.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)
A tricky situation will occur today, but you will rise to the challenge and draw it to a satisfactory conclusion. Oddly, you'll find the right thing to do by recalling an old "Gilligan's Island" episode.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)
You will snidely snicker at someone today. You're not going to make any friends that way, you know. Instead, turn it into a cheerful chuckle.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)
Good day to wear WAY too much cologne. Actually, that's generally the problem for people who wear cologne. Usually they have no sense of smell. Come on, you don't really think they'd do that on purpose?!



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)
Today you'll wonder whatever happened to Potsy from Happy Days. Believe me, you don't want to know.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20)
Soon you'll have a misfortunate accident involving a bag of chips, a bat, and your friend's hamster (sadly mistaken for a wild mouse).

Dada trio destined for new heights

I'm sure most of my readers have never heard of the group Dada, nor did I until I reviewed this album.

I think it's always fun to discover really cool bands before they're launched into super stardom. Most of the fun stems from the fact that there is no guarantee and nobody wants to spend their hard-earned money on bogus tunes.

This is where I come in I can make you look cool in front of your friends by finding the good unknown bands for you - saving loyal readers both their time and money.

Dada just happens to be one of these unknown but worth your money groups. Their self-titled fourth album is their first with a big record label (MCA Records). It's a 13 track CD with a total playing time of 54 minutes.

The band is made up of Joie Calio (vocals/bass), Michael Gurley (vocals/guitar), and Phil Leavitt (drums/vocals). Dada was officially born when the acoustic duo of high school friends (Gurley and Calio) gained drummer Leavitt.

"It doesn't hurt anymore. The past is like water. Let it pour. That's a metaphor."

Agents Got No Secrets

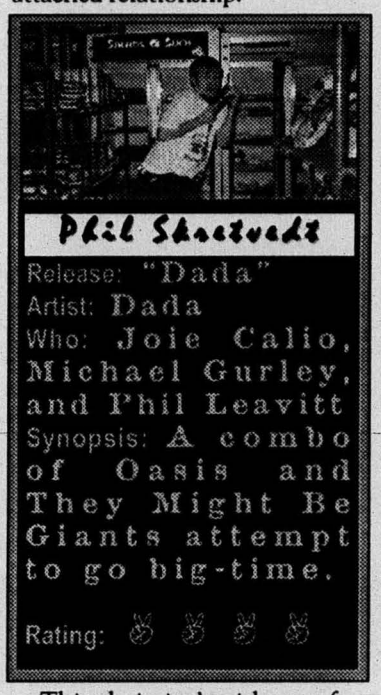
Dada

The trio has been making music together for about eight years and are slowly developing a large fan base on the West Coast. The group gained their record deal when Gurley, a then fledgling car salesman, sold a car to I.R.S. Records founder Miles Copeland. Gurley put one of his demo tapes in the stereo, and sure enough the next day he got a phone call from Copeland. They made three records with I.R.S. until the company declared bankruptcy. Dada then moved on to MCA Records.

They're basically a rock/pop type group and sound like a mild mix of Oasis in their lyrics and They Might Be Giants in their vocals.

The overall feel to Dada is one of melancholy. Most of the songs are about loss, longing or disconnection, but don't let that scare you away from it. A good portion of the songs are very well written and are usually played to very upbeat tempos and unique guitar riffs. In fact, the group's rock tight harmonies and innovative guitar melodies are the things that give Dada a special distinction.

Track five, *This Thing Together*, (one of my favorites) starts out with a Beach Boys-type sound that slowly blends into a melodious, and somewhat scary, song about an overly attached relationship.



This chain isn't without a few weak links. *Beautiful Turn-Back-Time Machine* and *Playboy in Outerspace* lack bite, but the majority of the tracks are quite strong. The strongest are probably *This Thing Together*, *Goodbye*, *Spinning My Wheels*, and *Agents Got No Secrets*. My favorite of these has to be *Agents Got No Secrets*. It's a song about a guy who's been pushed around by a girlfriend for so long that he's finally decided to move on. One of the more poetic lyrics from this song goes:

"It doesn't hurt anymore.
The past is like water.
Let it pour.
That's a metaphor."

Overall, I feel that Dada has some serious potential. The poetic lyrics and easy listening harmonies give this record a beautiful flow that most unknown bands tend to lack.

However, this album's slight depressing feeling and sometimes corny lyrics could become its biggest downfall. Yet I still think this album has great potential and deserves a little more praise than I think it'll get, so I'm giving Dada a four out of five rating.

That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.

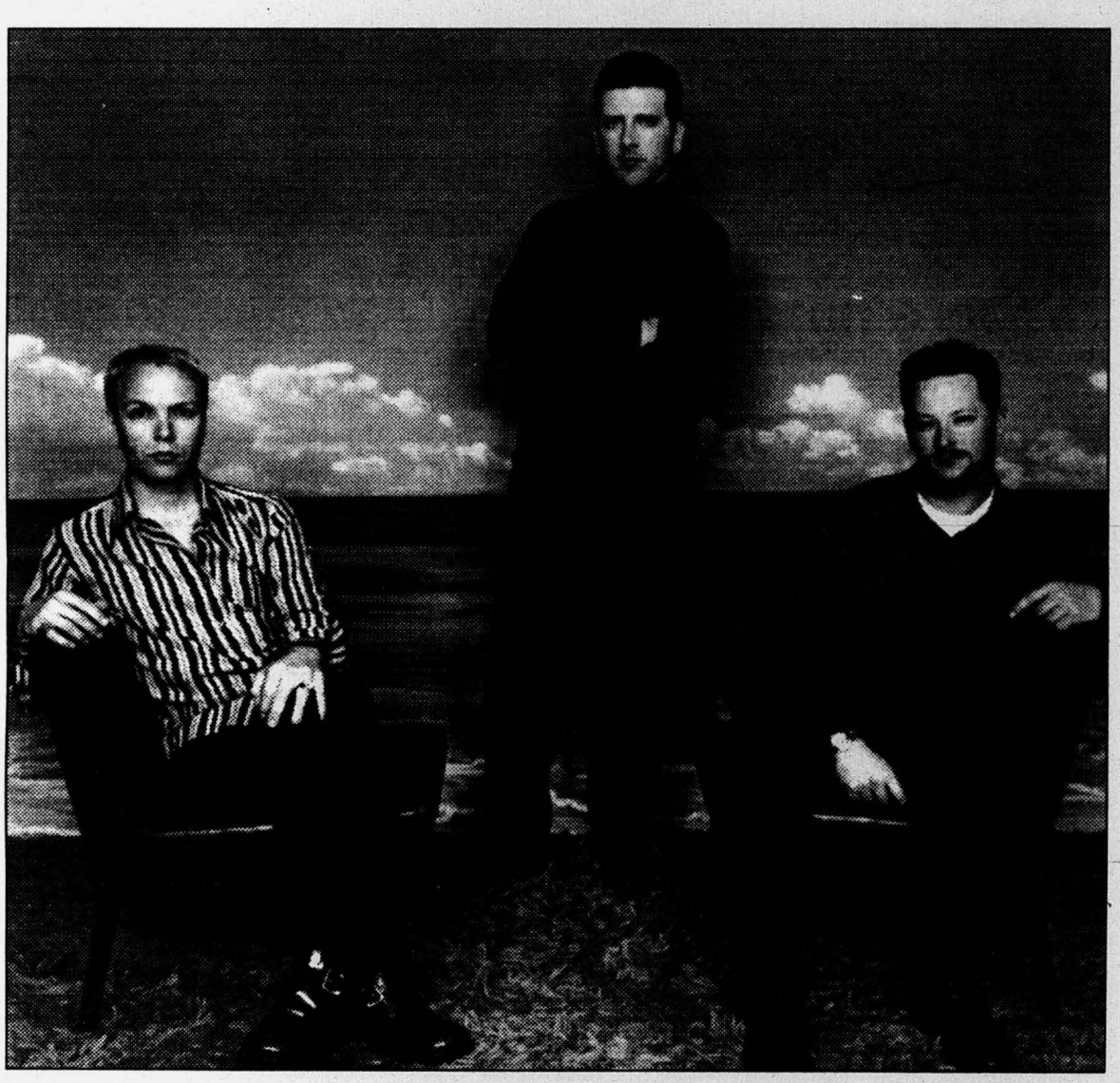


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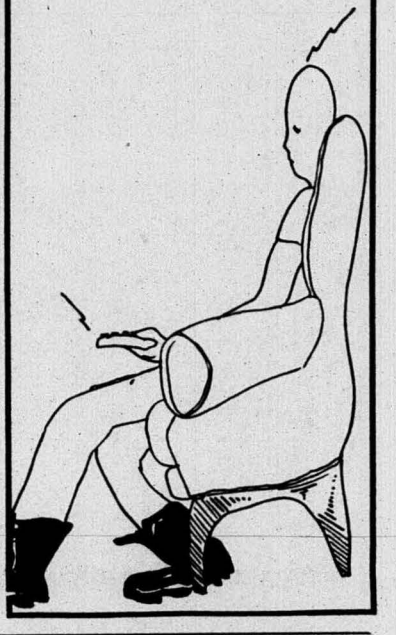
The three members of Dada, Joie Calio, Michael Gurley, and Phil Leavitt, are set to take the world with their fourth release. The self-titled album is their first on the giant MCA Records label and promises to give them more nationwide exposure.

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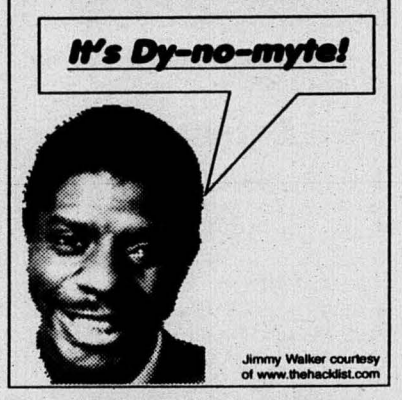
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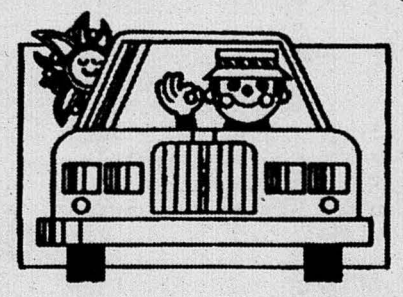


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Softball Team's Spring Break will be true test

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

This isn't a slow ride, and taking it easy isn't going to cut it. The Blue Devils Women's Softball Team is sporting an organization that will rival any opponent in this tough Division III Conference. Last year's team, the culmination of a program six years in the making, brought home UW-Stout's first WIAC West Division title. This year's team intends to up the ante, hoping to be the first to qualify for a spot in the NCAA Division III playoffs, a mark just barely missed last season.

They will make their bid on the strength of eight returning letter winners, five of them starters, and an assortment of developing freshmen talents. Among those returning is Cara Fenhouse. A junior this year, she will be replacing All-Conference catcher Deanna Johnson behind the plate.

"Cara is a deceptively quick player. The [WIAC Player of the Year] award says a lot about that," first-year Head Coach Chris Stainer said.

The real question this year seems to be who will lead from the mound. There is a high pitched battle between returning hurler Rebecca Zimmerman and a slew of talented freshmen. While all of the young prospects bring potential to the program, Zimmerman's chief competition is likely to come from the arm of freshman Rebecca Deuel. She comes to the team with an impressive high school record highlighted by last year's two shutouts and two no-hitters. Also vying for the position will be freshman Molly Harms.

Rounding out the Blue Devil infield will be sophomores Molly Wagner and Angie Pinnow. Pinnow will be heavily relied on not only for her poise on the field, but also for her strength as a team leader. Likely to play short-stop or third base, Pinnow's real strength lies in her ability to get on base, and more importantly, her ability to steal them. A tribute to Coach Stainer's faith in her abilities is the attitude she has adopted towards her base running.

"[Angie] should get more steals; if she sees the opportunity to steal, she has the green light," Stainer said.

The rest of the infield is up for grabs. There's a lot of talent defensively, which gives Coach Stainer the luxury of making her decisions based on offensive output. This freedom is reflected in the outfield as well as in the versatility of three key players, Becky Wright, Brigitta Meyer, and Tanya Petrie. They will share playing time with returning center fielder Janel Krenz and right fielder Kristin Liberty, who is returning from the disabled list.

Overall, it should be an interesting season. Coach Stainer, who spent last season as assistant coach to her alma mater UW-River Falls, hopes to use her experience with the conference to create a cohesive and competitive club. She will have her work cut out for her. The team will play its first games March 13-20 in Orlando, Fl. She believes this will help iron out some of the wrinkles and should show a little of the team's true colors.

"Right now we have our options open. A lot will depend on the best combinations we can put together at the time," she said. Given Stainer's track record, those combinations are sure to be winning ones.

Stout's home opener will be a tournament featuring several WIAC rivals hosted on Friday and Saturday, April 1-2.



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First-year Blue Devil Head Coach Chris Stainer will take her team to Orlando, Florida next week to find out if all of their preparation and practice will pay off against the nation's best.

Friends and fans remember Joe DiMaggio

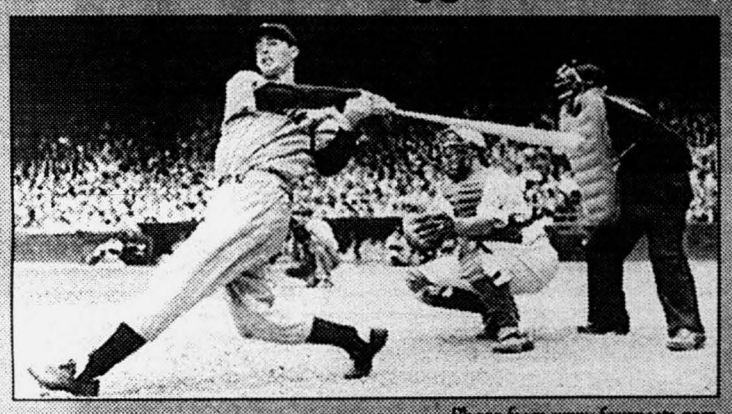


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"It was the class and dignity with which he led his life that made him part of all of us. I will forever treasure the close friendship we shared over the years."
-Yankees owner George Steinbrenner

"Major League Baseball offers its condolences not only to members of the [DiMaggio] family but to baseball fans everywhere." *-Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig*

"Today, America lost one of the century's most beloved heroes, Joe DiMaggio. This son of Italian immigrants gave every American something to believe in. He became the very symbol of American grace, power, and skill. He stood tall off the field as well. In 1943, he volunteered for the Army and swapped his Yankee paycheck for $50-a-month private's salary.

I have no doubt that when future generations look back at the best of America in the 20th Century, they will think of the Yankee Clipper and all that he achieved."
-President Clinton

"He represented the best in America. It was his character, his generosity, his sensitivity. He was someone who set a standard every father would want his children to follow." *-Former New York Mayor Ed Koch*

"He's one of the greatest players of all time. It's the passing of a person from a time when baseball was the way it should be - when there was a higher ethical and moral standard." *-Doug Connor, baseball fan*

Where have you gone, Joe DiMaggio?

■ Those who were lucky enough can recall the day they met the Yankee Clipper as easily as where they were the day JFK was assassinated.

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor

Where have you gone, Joe DiMaggio?
Our nation turns its lonely eyes to you.
What's that you say, Mrs. Robinson?
Joltin' Joe has left and gone away.

Paul Simon finally got the chance to explain his lyrics to the Yankee Clipper at an Italian restaurant a few years after *Mrs. Robinson* reached No. 1 on the charts.

After a five month battle with lung cancer finally ended his life at age 84 early Monday morning, I think we all understand.

Not only has baseball forever lost one of its saving heroes, but the world has too. His grace on the field, his god-like status among teammates and contemporaries, and his marriage to pop-icon Marilyn Monroe were shadowed only by his legend as he struggled to remain a private man in a time when America so desperately needed a hero. The name Joe DiMaggio has become synonymous not only with baseball's most treasured and timeless record, but with the hope that rose up out of the Depression and war of the 1930s and 40s.

DiMaggio gave baseball fans something more to anticipate than the inevitable approach of World War II. On May 15, 1941 DiMaggio launched the first hit of "The Streak," a feat summed up in two words that has withstood the test of almost six decades. He capped off 56 consecutive games of one or more hits on July 15 when Cleveland third baseman Ken Keltner stood in the way of number 57.

Even during Babe Ruth's home run streak, when the media couldn't wait to see the Sultan crush another one, the Babe himself was more interested in DiMaggio's performance. Before the press could get a quote from the Great One, he would want to know, "How did Joe do? Did he get another hit?"

Hitting may be what fascinated most fans about DiMaggio's presence on the field, but it certainly wasn't the only aspect of his game that got him into the Hall of Fame on his first bid. As Mickey Mantle's predecessor in center field, he rarely made the highlight reels with a diving catch. He never had to. On most occasions he had the keen sixth sense to know just where that ball was coming down and, when in question, he had the speed to beat it there. And his decisive reflexes propelled him around the bases with efficiency matched only by Willie Mays.

DiMaggio also reserved himself while crossing the plate. Unlike the fist pumping crushers of our generation, he made his way around the bases quickly and quietly, pausing only to shake a few congratulatory hands and wave his cap at an appreciative audience before ducking into the dugout.

DiMaggio was intensely proud to be a Yankee, accepting a mere $25,000 contract when he signed on. In his rookie season, Yogi Berra was reprimanded by DiMaggio after sluggishly heading to first following a pop-up. "You're a Yankee now," DiMaggio told him. "You give 100 percent all the time. You run out every pop-up."

New York fans were equally glad to have the Yankee Clipper aboard. After years of lagging ticket sales, DiMaggio brought back more than 60,000 fans to Yankee Stadium night after night. The son of an immigrant, Italian-Americans came from the Bronx, where they could have been watching Babe and his Bombers, wanting instead to see DiMaggio recreate

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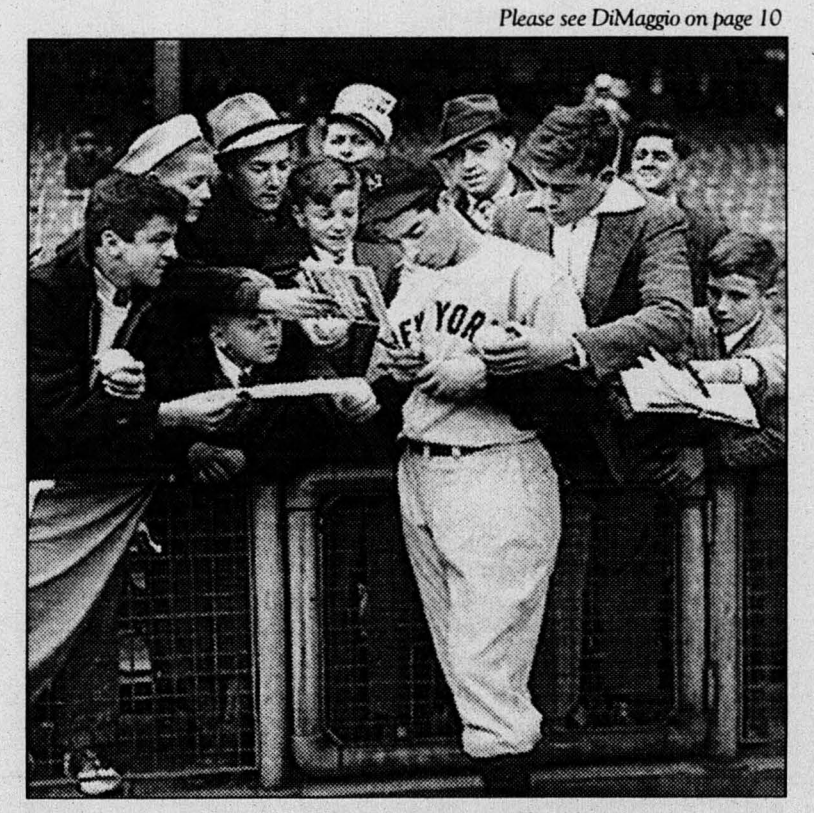


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Flags at Yankee Stadium were lowered to half staff on Monday after Joe DiMaggio (above in 1937 World Series) died of lung cancer complications he had been fighting for five months.

DiMaggio/loss of a legend

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the American Dream in the batter's box.

Joltin' Joe left baseball on Dec. 12, 1951. He was 36 years old and felt he wasn't doing the game justice. It was the first year in his career that he hadn't hit .300. After playing in only 116 games that season and grooming Mantle to take his place in center field, he retired, along with his No. 5 jersey. When teammates tried to convince him to re-evaluate his decision, DiMaggio declined, too proud to stay in the game beyond his prime. He wanted to go out a great because, as he phrased it, "Some kid might be out there, watching me for the first time."

Three years after leaving the game, DiMaggio married Marilyn Monroe. A short-lived and highly publicized relationship, the marriage lasted only nine months. Plagued by rumors of infidelity and jealous rages, DiMaggio demanded that the matter be regarded as strictly taboo in the media, and he remained stand-offish in the eyes of most reporters from then on. The most popular story of the couple's brief time together came out of their honeymoon in Japan. Monroe was asked to entertain U.S. troops in Korea. When she returned, the actress reportedly said, "Joe, Joe, it was wonderful, the troops loved me. You have never heard such cheering." The Yankee Clipper looked at her, and said, "Yes, darling, I have."

Perhaps because he so intensely avoided the spotlight, those of us who didn't share an intimate relationship with him judged him as arrogant and unapproachable. Even Whitey Ford and Mantle were afraid to say hello to him as Yankee rookies in 1950. Today, Yankee pitcher David Cone remembers being so afraid to ask DiMaggio for his autograph that he went out and bought it from a collector. "I met him a few times," Cone said. "He told me that he'd seen me pitch and sometimes I looked unhittable and sometimes I looked hittable. I didn't know how to take that. But just the fact he knew who I was was enough for me."

Now, forever released from the grueling public eye, he will live on in our memories forever. We may never satisfy our hunger for the juicy details of his marriage and personal life, hidden forever in a time when an athlete's off-camera privacy was still respected and even the most nagging of reporters considered some things off limits. Remarkably the media has allowed him to carry his mystique with him to the grave, where it belongs. He is probably the last celebrity of any kind who will be granted that privilege.

Joltin' Joe has indeed left and gone away. America will try to find another hero to fill the monumental gap we have acquired after the passing of DiMaggio, likely to no avail. Finally we will understand why he demanded and deserved to be announced the same way before any appearance on the field by Yankee announcer Bob Sheppard: "Ladies and gentlemen! Please rise and welcome the greatest living ballplayer. The Yankee Clipper. Joe Di-Mag-io!"

He would be proud to know that in his death, he has transcended that role. Joe DiMaggio is now the greatest baseball player who *ever* lived.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Gymnastics

UW-Stout gymnast Brenna Jones will advance to the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) Championships for the second consecutive season.

Jones will compete at the national meet as a specialist on the floor exercise.

The NCGA Championships will be held at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn., March 19-20.

Gymnasts advance to national competition using a formula based on one home meet score, two away meet scores, and the next highest scores. Those scores are then combined with the score obtained at the NCGA Regional qualifying meet, which was held March 5 at UW-River Falls.

Last season, Jones finished 10th at the national meet on the floor exercise, and set a school record for the floor exercise with a 9.50.

Men's Track and Field

UW-Stout's Jamie Buchholtz won the pole vault event at the WIAC Indoor Track and Field Championships Saturday, March 6 at UW-Stevens Point.

Buchholtz, who had already automatically qualified to the NCAA Division III Track and Field Championships, improved on his season best by clearing the bar at 16-feet, two-inches, two inches above the second place competitor.

Buchholtz is currently ranked second nationally in pole vault and will compete at the national meet Friday, March 12 at 5:30 p.m. at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio.

The Blue Devils as a team finished seventh with 51.50 points.

Women's Track and Field

Katie Jacobson came up just short in the 1500-meter run at the WIAC Indoor Track and Field Championships Saturday, March 6 at Stevens Point.

Though she did not place first, her time automatically qualified her for the NCAA Division III National Indoor Track and Field Championships Friday, March 12 at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio.

Noel Green placed fourth in the 55-meter dash and eighth in the 200-meter. Katy Olsen finished fifth in the 3000, and Jen Wucherer was seventh in the same event. Freshman Sara Pivec placed sixth in the shot put.

As a team, the Blue Devils placed seventh with 50 points.

The Agenda

UW-Stout's Upcoming Sports Schedule

Track and Field
Sat. March 20 — TBA
at Long Beach Invitational
in Long Beach, CA
Sat. March 27 — TBA
Holiday Manor HS Classic, here

Women's Tennis
Fri. March 26 — *4 p.m.*
vs. Northwestern College, here

Women's Gymnastics
March 19-20 — TBA
NCGA Nationals
at Gustavus Adolphus,
St. Peter, MN

Men's Baseball
Sat. March 27 — *11 a.m.* (double hitter)
vs. Wheaton, IL
at the Metrodome
in Minneapolis, MN

Women's Softball
March 27-28 — TBA
at Simpson College Tournament
Indianola, IA
April 1-2 — TBA
UW-Stout Tournament, here

Men's Rugby
Sat. March 27 — TBA
Mud Fest Tournament
at UW-Platteville

Recapalooza
Tues. March 23 — *9 p.m.-1 a.m.*
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Tennis continues to grow in spring season

by Klye Madson
Staff Reporter

For the UW-Stout Tennis Team, the fall of 1998 brought about a fresh start for all involved. The addition of new coach Craig Monson complimented the clean slate.

Monson, who was an NAIA District 14 doubles champion in 1992 while at Eau Claire, found himself at Stout in the fall of 1998 after three successful years at Macalester College in St. Paul. He was the instigator of the rebuilding process at Macalester and will look to do the same with the young program here at Stout. "We will work to become more aggressive and will also work on fundamentals," said Monson of his plans for the young squad.

Academics are also a focal point of the team. "I know they are here for school because they are at a Division III school," Monson said. He will make it a point to stress an equilibrium between academics and athletics.

Upperclassmen are few and far between on the Tennis Team, which currently is composed of nine freshmen, three sophomores, and one junior, Co-Captain Lauren Mader. Mader is in her third year in the tennis program at Stout and accepts the leadership role willingly. "I feel I can be a mentor, someone to look up to," said Mader of her role off the court.

On the court is yet another story. The team is quickly realizing that experience is something gained only with time. With nine team members who came into the fall season without any collegiate experience, it was safe to say this was definitely a building year. Mader said of this crew that "We need to sustain our dedication," and "learn from every experience on the court."

The arrival of Coach Monson to the program has also been a big boost to the team. "He has turned the program around a lot," said Mader of the team compared to previous years. "His love and passion for tennis shows, and it is easy to pick up on," she said of her coach. He has gone out of his way to set up extra matches to get the young players as much experience as possible.

Currently, the team is in the midst of their spring season. Their first match against St. Thomas, which was tainted by sickness, resulted in a disappointing 9-0 loss. More recently the team traveled to Winona, MN to take on the St. Mary's squad. With the team once again at full strength, they put together a strong performance resulting in a 6-3 loss. However, Mader called the effort "one of the best team matches I've been a part of."

The team's next match is scheduled for the March 26 against Northwestern. Stout's final three matches of the year will take place here on campus.

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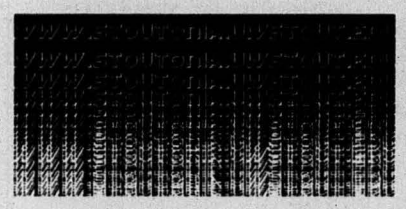
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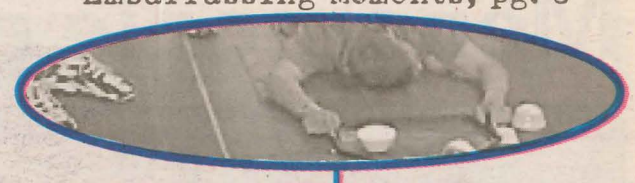
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Recapalooza in Johnson Fieldhouse



Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

Recapalooza was held for the second time in a row on Tuesday in the Johnson Fieldhouse. The Stout student here is participating in human bowling, one of the many activities held. Prizes and drawings were given to those who attended.

Spring Breaker hurt in accident

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

One group of friends from Stout will certainly not forget their Spring Break trip this year. Corey Morning, an Early Childhood Education graduating in May, was hospitalized for nine days in Florida after being hit by a car around midnight last Thursday. He received head trauma, back injuries, and extensive bruising.

The group of six exited a bar along Thomas Drive, a stretch of drinking establishments near the beach, when they decided to cross the busy street. According to members of the group, four crossed the street successfully while Morning and another waited to cross. Morning sprinted to the middle of the intersection, amidst screams from his friends, and was crossing the second lane when a car traveling about 35-40 m.p.h. struck him in the legs, sending him into the windshield, over the car, and crashing to the concrete.

Two friends immediately ran into traffic to stop oncoming cars while one held Morning's head and another went for help. The motorist involved stopped down the road and ran back to assist the group. Police were on the scene within minutes and Morning was transported to the Bay Medical Center.

Morning returned Monday evening and is staying with his parents. Although a screw had to be placed in his head to reduce brain swelling, he does not appear to have received major head trauma. His short term memory was affected and he remembers only to the point of when he was standing on the curb, watching traffic. He cannot recall any part of his accident or his stay in the hospital.

"I wish he could remember, so I could ask him why he started running. I don't know what he was thinking," friend Brian Kalmes said. He believes alcohol played a part in the accident, as Morning had a blood alcohol level of .122 upon entering the hospital.

Yet he and the others believe conditions along the famous stretch are inherently dangerous. "You can wait for 20 minutes just trying to cross the road safely...if there's a little window, people are going to run," Kalmes said.

According to friend Jason Anderson, the stretch of about four miles is poorly lit and crosswalks are few and far between. Pedestrians, many of them drinking, can be seen darting between cars. Due to low visibility, drivers have a hard time distinguishing people from mere shadows. Daytona Beach Police were unable to be reached for comment, but an article in the Independent Florida Alligator last year reported the Tourist Council was concerned about a number of fatalities occurring in Spring, including many involving cars and pedestrians. It is estimated that 500,000 tourists flood the area each Spring.

For the group of friends, it is still difficult to believe that things could go so wrong just when they were start-

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Students feel foreign languages are limited

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

Many students at Stout feel that the foreign language department on campus is inadequate. For those majors that require several foreign language classes, such as Hospitality and Tourism and International Business, some students feel as though they have to scramble to fill the required credits.

Stout offers two languages on campus, French and Spanish. Both languages have a program that includes a full year each in elementary and intermediate classes. In addition to the two years of foreign language offered, the Spanish program offers four credits beyond the intermediate level, in order for students to work towards their minor in Spanish. The Spanish minor is a new program, and includes not only foreign language classes but also the chance to study abroad.

According to Dr. Martha Wallen, professor of Speech and Language, students have many options to fill the required classes for their specific program. If a class is not offered at Stout, independent study, correspondence courses, and study abroad programs are available to students. Very rarely is it necessary for a student to attend another campus to fill the requirements.

Most programs at Stout do not require a foreign language component, and those that do are International Business and Hospitality and Tourism. For International Business, which is a technical component in the business degree, ten foreign language credits are necessary. Hospitality and Tourism majors are required to take two credits.

In addition to offering the necessary classes on campus, Stout gives students the chance to test out of foreign language classes if they have the experience. While still in high school, future Stout students can test out of required classes through an advanced placement program. A placement test can also be used once a student begins to work towards their major. For example, a student can start at the intermediate level of classes and bypass the necessary elementary foreign language classes.

A new program offered at Stout is the French chat room, which is a class that allows students to talk to each other and learn about the French culture. The class is being offered for the first time this semester on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. It is a quarter class that is two credits, and can be taken for either credit or can be audited. To be eligible for the class, a student must have at least three semesters of foreign language completed.

For those who feel that Stout's foreign language program is inadequate, Wallen hopes that they recognize that there really are many opportunities available.

New church for all faiths

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Menomonie has a new Interfaith Church that explores the rituals and practices of many religious and spiritual traditions of the world. It is led by Stout professor, Reverend Bob Salt, also the program director of human and family development.

With such a diverse culture of students on campus, Interfaith was created to offer spirtual outlets to all religions, even those religions not dominant in the area. With Interfaith, parishioners won't hear just one tradition, but can be confident that their religion will be represented.

A typical service may include: Sufi chanting, Jewish prayer, Native American Acknowledgment of Direction, Buddhist meditation, Hindu chanting and a Christian song.

There are no sermons in these services."All the activities are designed to be more experimental with chanting, meditation, and singing so that it is more involved," Salt said.

Salt first discovered Interfaith a few years ago, when he was exploring the beliefs of major religions of the world. In January, he attended an Interfaith seminar in New York, and was ordained a minister. Upon returning to Menomonie, he began

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Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Professor Bob Salt, an ordained interfaith priest and Program Director of Human Development and Family Studies, performs rituals and ceremonies along with chants and meditation on Tuesdays at the Keystone Center. Symbols representing all faiths are displayed on the table.

Menomonie police officer on two wheels

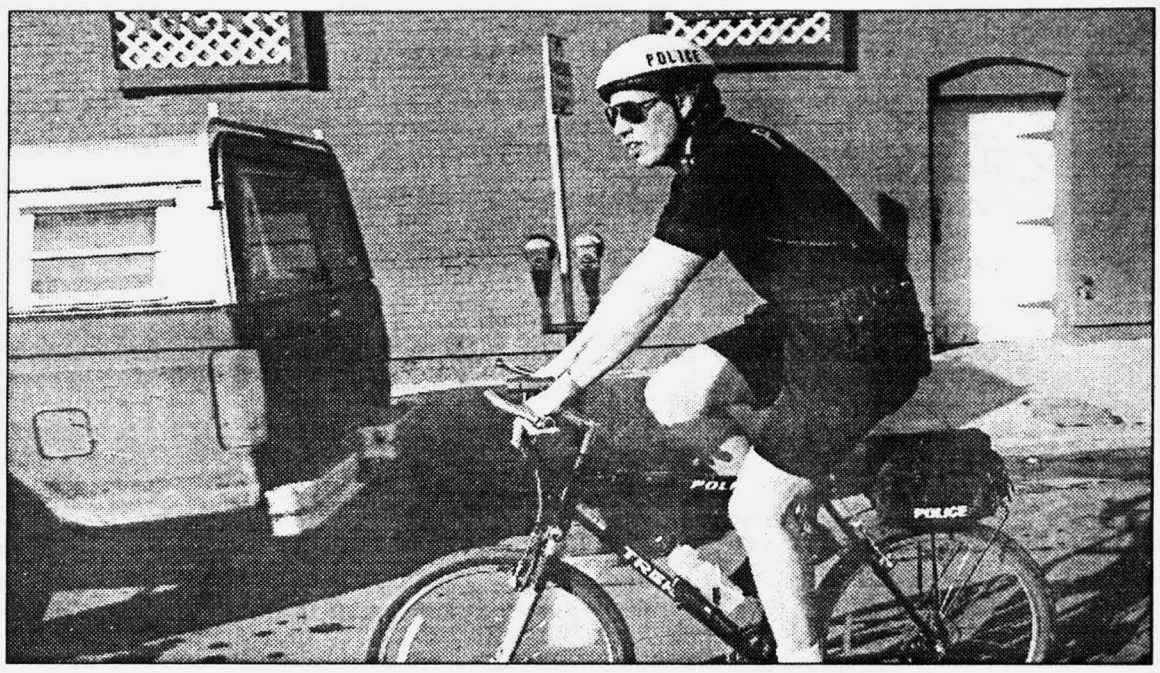


Photo courtesy of Menomonie Police Dept.

Officer Richter poses for a photo in his riding gear. He's atop a specially designed patrol bike introduced four years ago. With temperatures warming up, he will be patrolling the streets once again, nabbing bikers, rollerbladers, skateboarders, and even motorists.

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

The idea of a police officer usually conjures up an image of red and blue lights flashing on top of the traditional black and white car. But Officer Randy Richter of the Menomonie police department travels around on a very different set of wheels. He may be found sporting a helmet and gloves as he rides his bike while on duty.

This will be the fourth year that Menomonie has implemented the bike cop program. Officer Richter had to take a course to learn the procedures police are to follow while riding on a bicycle. The idea of the program is for an officer to ride around the streets of Menomonie ticketing and warning drivers, bikers, and rollerbladers. Since the program was initiated, the number of bike registrations has risen significantly.

Valerie Wille, a UW-Stout student, has had a run-in with officer Richter on his bike. "I was riding my bike on the sidewalk downtown," she explains. "All of a sudden I heard someone yell for me to stop." Fortunately, Valerie only received a warning for riding on the sidewalk and not having bike tags.

The idea of a cop on a bike pulling over a car may seem comical, but it has not been an uncommon sight in downtown Menomonie during the summer months. The bike actually holds some advantages over the typical police car. As Officer Richter explains, "I am able to maneuver through traffic more easily on the bike. Also, it is not easy to spot, so there is an element of surprise."

Spotting violators in automobiles may be easier, but catching up to them is another story. So far, getting drivers' attention has not been a problem while riding the bike. Officer Richter uses motioning and a whistle to get them to pull over. He admits the closest he has ever come to a "high speed chase" while on the bike was chasing a car for ten blocks.

As for when Officer Richter will be out on his bike, it will most likely be a warm, sunny day when he will try to catch citizens breaking the law. His bike schedule consists of 2 to 4 hour stretches around town.

News Briefs

Compiled by Kelly Neidt

"Suddenly Susan" actor found dead

David Strickland, who played rock critic Todd on the NBC sitcom "Suddenly Susan," was found dead in his Las Vegas hotel room on Monday. He appeared to have hung himself. In addition to his role on "Suddenly Susan" he was also featured in the number one movie *Forces of Nature*.

Kevorkian trial

Jury selection began Monday in the first-ever murder trial of Dr. Kevorkian. He was charged in Oakland County Circuit Court with first degree murder in the alleged mercy killing of Thomas Youk, whose death was videotaped and broadcast last November on "60 Minutes". This is the first time he said he delivered the dose of lethal drugs himself.

McDougal backs Clinton

Whitewater figure Susan McDougal broke four years of silence Tuesday to say that Clinton did not lie in a 1996 videotaped testimony. She said he was truthful when he said he knew nothing about a fraudulent $300,000 loan at the heart of the scandal.

NATO orders airstrikes

NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana ordered airstrikes against Yugoslavia on Tuesday, citing that a negotiated settlement had not been reached. He claims there was no alternative.

Provost position still undecided

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

The position of Provost is key to any university. A Provost is essentially the vice president of the university. The position heads Academic and Student Affairs and substitutes when the Chancellor is away.

For a while now, Stout has been searching for a new Provost. Dr. George DePuy was the acting Provost until his retirement last year. At the moment, Dr. Robert Sedlak is filling in and also being interviewed for the position. Before becoming an interim for Provost, Sedlak was Vice Chancellor.

A committee was formed to select the best possible candidates. Members of the committee will report to and be directly affected by a new Provost. Some of the representatives include Administrative and Student Life Services, Student Support Services, the Colleges of Human Development, Arts and Sciences, Engineering and Management, Technology, members of the community, graduate students, undergraduate students, and minority group representatives.

The selection process began by placing an ad in "The Chronicle of Higher Education." This paper is specifically designed for national advertisements dealing with positions of importance in education. In total, 50 applicants answered the ad.

Resumes were then reviewed by the committee. Applicants had to be able to meet the minimum requirements to reach the next selection process. To have a doctoral degree, they needed some administrative experience at the minimum of Dean level.

Those who passed these specifications moved on to more difficult selection. The committee held recorded conference telephone calls with the remaining possible candidates. After telephone interviews, the number of possible Provosts was narrowed down to four. One of the four later withdrew from the process.

Each candidate came to Menomonie for two days to get familiar with the town, campus, and committee members. Candidates Joseph Rallo and Robert Sedlak have already completed this last requirement. Nancy Hensel's visit had to be re-scheduled.

After finishing with the last prospective candidate, the committee will form its opinion. Their conclusions will be sent to Chancellor Sorensen who will make the final decision.

Many are anxiously waiting to find out who will be the new Provost and how it will affect them. When asked about her opinion on the candidate choice, Mary Thompson, Committee Chairperson, said "They are all very highly qualified people due to the difficult screening process."

Police Beat

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Disorderly conduct

A woman driving northbound on South Broadway was in front of Subway when her car was struck by a snowball. Those responsible fled to the doors of Callahan Hall. The suspects were described as two white males and one white female. She chased the suspects inside the building. They escaped capture by running across the bridge.

Lost property

An employee reported that he had lost his master key to the Applied Arts building. It is believed to have been lost on March 10.

Suspicious person

After a Library Learning Center worker had locked up the library on March 15, she noticed a male subject coming from behind the checkout area. She asked him what he was doing, and he claimed he was checking out a noise he heard. The suspect was warned that if he was found in the library after hours again, he would be given a citation.

Suspicious person

A Student Health Center worker called to report that a middle-aged black male was seen in the parking lot with his belt undone, as if he had just relieved himself. He then exited the lot but was not found.

Citations/arrests

For the week of March 8-22, nine underage drinking, two disorderly conduct, and two theft citations were issued.

University Notes

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from Submitted News Release

Free Harley

Purchase a ticket for $5 (five for $20) March 30 and April 6 from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. across from the Bookstore and become eligible to win a Harley. The winner will be drawn on April 16. Call 233-0855 or 232-9341. Sponsored by the University, American Marketing Association, and Harley-Davidson.

Wheel and Deal

A fund-raiser event to benefit Dunn County Interfaith Volunteers Office, Food Pantry, House of Hope, and Interfaith Caregivers will be held March 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Menomonie High School Auditorium. Tickets are $8 and can be purchased at Leever's, Lammer's, Wal-Mart, and others. Prizes and entertainment will be available.

Brazil

The Fine Arts Association presents Brazil, a film by David Lynch, March 25 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 321 of the AA Bldg.

Spring concert

The Menomonie Community Choir will be performing at the Mabel Tainter Theatre on Palm Sunday, March 28 at 2:00 p.m. Donations will be accepted at the door.

Parking update

The Parking Services Office would like to thank those who provided feedback at the open forums and organization meetings held since December. The Campus Physical Development Committee will be assisting in formulating a final recommendation.

Those interested in the findings can log on at: http://www.uwstout.edu/parking.

Interfaith

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planning sessions for the Church.

"It feels to me like the right time to do this," Salt commented. "Religion in the world does both good things and bad. The good things it does is help people to connect their feelings of love ...the bad is religion often creates a division of 'we're here and you're different from us'," he said.

Interfaith held its first mass two weeks ago. The turn out has been small. "But that's okay because word is just beginning to get around, and we've just started," he added.

Services are held at the Keystone Center on main street. Simple supper is at 6:00 p.m. followed by a service at 6:30 p.m.

Accident

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ing their long-anticipated break. "When we made it down the first day, we drank too much alcohol...I did things I shouldn't have," he said.

"We were just hanging out, looking for a good time before we had to go our separate ways...We all think we're invicible until something like this happens to one of our friends. Then you start wising up," Kalmes said.

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Editorial

I went to Cancun and all I got was this hangover

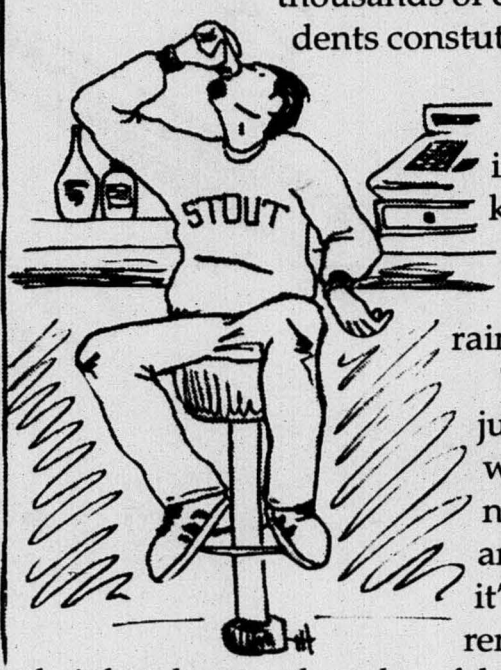
Some will claim that drinking is a direct result of living in Menomonie. Being glued to the bar stool seems the best option in a town that offers little for entertainment.

So Spring Break becomes the almighty savior from the cold and mundane. Students spend thousands on their long-planned trip, usually racking up a credit card bill that won't be paid. After a month of Spring Break Itch, they arrive to balmy weather, palm trees, and swimming pools. And then they drink- tequila, body shots, fruity drinks with umbrellas, and imported beers. After countless shots, they're reduced to dancing like an idiot, grinding on the wall, kissing innocent bystanders, and passing out in vomit. Welcome BACK to Menomonie.



It's amazing that so many college students are willing to dish out cash for the exact same thing they can do back home. Mexico and the Caribbean have so much more to offer than just their bars. Has anyone ever thought of snorkling? It seems not, because "We got so wasted" has echoed off the walls of Stout all this week and vacation photos inevitably feature beer pyramids and cheesy drinking shots, with beaches and water serving as mere backdrops.

And what comes of these trips? It can't be the memories, because a belly of tequila is certainly not conducive to memory. And as for culture, it's hard to believe hanging out with thousands of drunk American college students constutitues a bit of culture. Instead, spring-breakers miss out on all that is best about traveling- meeting and getting to know unique locals, trying exotic foods or activities, and getting to know the terrain of a new land.



The time seems reduced to just one more drinking episode with pals, save that it's in a new hotel room, more drunks are available to hit on, and oh, it's far away. For those that remember only the wallpaper of their hotel room, the color of the toilet, waking up at 3 p.m., and the cute girl in a tiny suit, you got ripped off. For a mere $30, you could get drunk at Calypso's and watch the exotic fish swim around in their tank.

Beware of money problems

Eddie Mullins
Columnist

There is one common factor that most college students and people in general share... money problems. Where does it all go? We work hard for our money, and before you know it, it's gone. When our cash flow runs out, we turn to those credit cards. Which is kind of crazy, since a lot of the purchases that are made with credit cards will cost you double or triple the amount of the original price. Thanks to that wonderful interest rate, whether it's as little as 3 percent or as much as 22 percent; it all adds up. Money situations are the cause of many tragic problems like divorce, suicide, drug and alcohol abuse...the list goes on.

Spending money is all about feeling empowered. After you make an expensive purchase and you have time to think about it, you're right back to that powerless feeling. So it does no good to overspend your money. I'm talking about people that really spend too much, the ones that don't have the financial resources to spend as much as they do, and before you know it, you realize that the money you spent should have been spent on your bills. Now your bills are further behind than they were before. The the bill collectors start calling and sending notices in a variety of colored envelopes. By the way, those who have experienced the different colored envelopes, pink, black and white mean that something is about to be shut off or you're wanted in court. I know these steps far too well, because this is exactly what happened to me a few years ago.

In my lifetime I have destroyed my credit history not once but twice. I was thousands and thousands of dollars in debt. It seems kind of funny now, but it wasn't so funny back then. I bill collectors called everyday and sending notices in the colored envelopes. I kept asking myself why I couldn't get control of my spending and credit card habits - a question that many people ask themselves everyday. So what is the answer?

The real truth may be that spending is all about the fear people have of money. True financial freedom doesn't depend on how much money you have. Financial freedom comes when you have control over your fears. The 9 Steps to Financial Freedom by Suze Orman is a book that will help you understand money and the truth it holds for you.

Credit card companies are deadly; they are the same as drug dealers in their addictive power. They're just waiting for you to bite, to hook you. Unbelievable.

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Letters

This is in response to a letter to the editor in the March 11th Stoutonia from Ms. Sue Bridwell-Beckham. Her letter was regarding parking issues and the use of the words *faculty* and *staff* in describing instructors on this campus. By writing this response I hope to bring her back to the real world.

Ms. Bridwell-Beckham stated "Since students are likely to be sitting in a classroom untaught if I can't find a parking spot... I believe it is best that UW-Stout remain in the tradition of most campuses and most businesses by promoting service to 'customers.'"

Qualify yourself, as you are a Professor of English, by telling us who most campuses and most businesses are that utilize the practice of placing employee-parking spots close to the buildings and in the most convenient spots. Everywhere I have worked, employees were required to park "out back" or as far out in the parking lots as possible to allow their "customers" easy access. Well...you called the students of UW-Stout customers and yet we should hike the extra couple blocks while its employees get the prime spots?

Also, Ms. Bridwell-Beckham wished the Stoutonia would use the word *faculty* more correctly. At Stout she said that meant instructors who have tenure or are working toward tenure. (I am guessing Ms. Bridwell-Beckham has tenure or is working toward it.) In my personal observations most, not all, with tenure are just riding out their time here at Stout. Those with tenure seem to be waiting to retire on the beautifully green Lake Menomin and basically do not have a whole lot of regard for turning the lightbulb on inside our heads.

I believe the hardest working, and most respected, dare I say faculty, instructors on this campus are those with the yearly contracts, who enjoy their jobs and care about the students, not those who are concerned about parking spots, and they should be addressed.

Sincerely.
Jason J. Bingham
UW-Stout Student

P.S. According to Roget's International Thesaurus the words *faculty* and *staff* can be used interchangeably. According to Webster's New Dictionary *faculty* is all the teachers of a school or one of its departments. *Does this mean I am also faculty because I work for the custodial department on campus?* Just a thought to ponder.

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Campus Slant

Taking the pulse of the campus

Should Tyson be allowed to box again?



"Should he... no. Will he... yes. HBO has a lot of money invested in him. It's hard to turn down $40 million."

Montrai Oliver
Junior
Applied Comm.



"No, because snacking shouldn't be allowed in the ring."

Gary Trenda
Joy Roskom
Juniors



"Yes, only if he's allowed to fight Hannibal Lector."

Steve Curtis
Senior
Hospitality & Tourism



"Yeah-I'd like to see him bite Marv Albert-then he'd really get his ass chewed."

Dean Raki
Senior
Hospitality & Tourism



"Might as well. That way someone has a better chance of beating him into sanity."

Ted Beckman
Junior
Business

Next Week's Question: April Fool's surprise!

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Volunteering to serve man's best friends

by Beth Winge
Student Life Editor

Pacing the length of the cage like an overgrown cat, Charlie waits. As people occasionally walk by, he wags his tail and voices a friendly bark.

The cage is Charlie's life; he depends on those that volunteer to keep him fed and take him out for a walk. The Dunn County Humane Society also depends on the estimated 70 volunteers that donate their time on a regular basis to keep this animal shelter up and running.

From all over the county, stray and abandoned animals are brought to the shelter in hopes of finding a good home. Some of these creatures are left behind in a move, others had owners who died. They are kept for seven days hoping their owners will claim them. Following this period, they are put up for adoption. A select few have even been taken out of homes because of reported abuse.

Among the people that donate their time on a regular basis, are 10-15 UW-Stout students. Organizations also put in their time to run Dog Walkathons or just provide the animals with the attention they need. Anyone who has the willingness is encouraged to get involved. The shelter has very flexible hours and doesn't ask anyone for a set time committment. It's up to each individual on how much time they want to share.

The Dunn County Humane Society is run like any other business in that it has many different jobs to be done in order to run smoothly. The exception to this business is that it relies totally on the help of volunteers and companies that donate. "We are always in search of people. I never know when and how we are going to lose volunteers," Gloriane Schmidt, Shelter Director, said.

This means that a whole lot more than just playing with the animals needs to be done. There is reception work, washing dishes and laundry, computer work, running errands, and of course, cleaning the animals and their kennels.

The best part to many is the ssocializing with the animals. "The animals don't care how old you are or what you do," Schmidt said. They just thrive on the attention. Even if it is throwing a ball a few times or letting the animal out of the cage. Schmidt explains the basic connection of being a part of who and what the animals are. This experience gives back, because it is something that becomes a part of the volunteer's life.

The shelter is run on a "no kill" policy. This means that outside of conditions where no other choice is available, an animal is not put to sleep if it is there too long. Therefore a home is needed for each one of these creatures.

To take home the pet of one's choice, the shelter asks that a pre-adoption application is filled out. This basically consists of personal information about the potential adoptee. If this person happens to be renting, they will consult with the landlord to make sure pets are allowed.

Information is also bestowed upon the adoptee concerning basic pet knowledge. People are told about the pet's life expectancy and its needs. This is done to allow the responsibility to sink into the owner's head. Adopting a pet is not something one tries on for size and later returns it with a receipt.

The Dunn County Humane Society is always in search of people to share their lives, whether it be volunteering or adopting. Questions should be directed to the shelter at 232-9720.

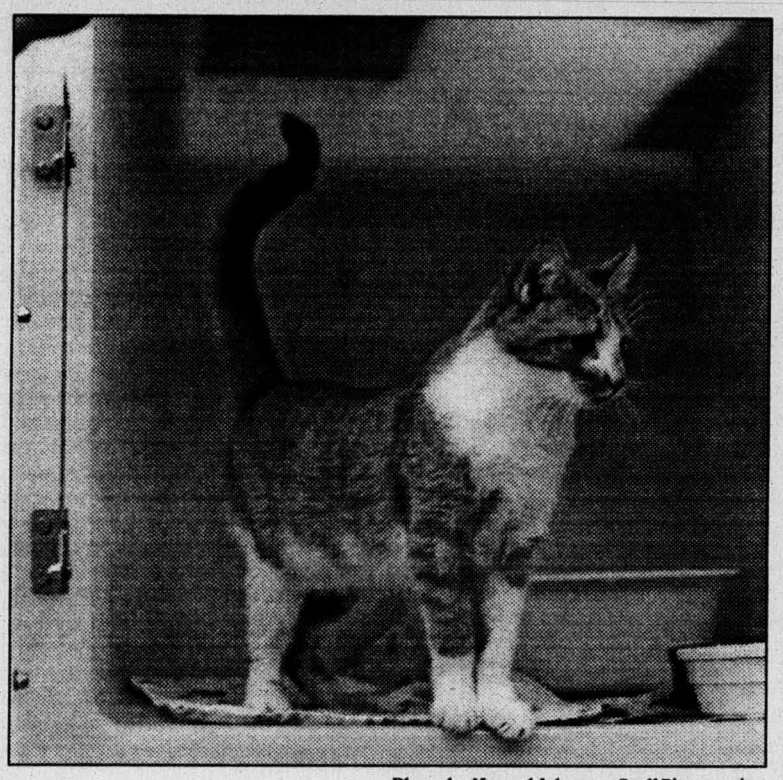


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Dogs and cats are the most predominate among the animals at the Humane Society. All animals are looking for people to volunteer or adopt. Got extra time?

...Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Chloe's heart surgery is discussed.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

I'm alive. I bet you thought you'd never hear my rambling stories again. Well, I survived the surgery and I'm better than ever. Okay, maybe not better than ever, I do have punctures and bruises. But, I'm back.

The day of my heart surgery came so fast I didn't even have time to get nervous, barely. I showed up at Abbott at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning ready to face just about anything. Although the actual procedure wasn't until 1:00 a.m. they called me back right away to get me in costume. I got a faded blue robe that had broken ties in the back and funky socks with treads on the bottom (I was still thinking about their purpose when I checked out).

I was then brought into a room and asked to lie on a gurney. We went over paperwork, which was the last thing I wanted to do at that time. Do you think I really care if I claim full responsibility for any of my articles of clothing that are lost or stolen at this point? Right now I'm worrying if I will live through the procedure. The chance that everything will be returned afterwards is just a bonus!

I initialed many similar statements, from the fact that I realize all may not go as planned to giving the doctors the right to do what they think necessary if a problem should arise (we'll get back to that one later). This was exactly what I wanted to be reading before they toyed with my heart.

When this was finished, my nurse said the only thing left was to prep me before my surgery. I didn't know if they were going to bring in the priest or the bomb squad to give me encouraging words of advice. I found out it was neither. A male nurse in his twenties came in with a sponge and razor. Gulp. I just realized what being prepped meant. Since there were to be three small incisions in my body; one on my arm and two on my groin, the area needed to be shaved and sanitized. I looked at the razor and I looked at the nurse. My eyes must have rounded because he said if it would make me feel more comfortable, he could have the female nurse take care of this part. I looked at him and said, "Yep." He just chuckled and got the female nurse.



Following this, a man in a white uniform came into my room and said, "It's time," and off and away we were. So I'm being pushed in a gurney like a shopping cart in a grocery store. I feel a little odd about this. I can walk. I do do it from time to time. Instead I keep track of where we are heading by the change in ceilings. For all I know, they are about to throw me down the laundry shoot.

They take me to the holding room where I get my IV and a dose of some chilling drug that is suppose to relax me. Okay, I'm relaxed. Sure, open me up, doc. Do whatever you need to do to my heart. Heck, I would have agreed to a transplant at this point. I'm rolled into this room that I can only assume is the operating room by the big, round, bright lights on the ceiling. And...I'm out.

I wake up to see doctors hovered around me. "I'm not suppose to be awake right now, am I?" I ask. And...I'm out again.

The next thing I know, I'm in my hospital room and my parents are sitting right by my bed. "Hey," I said. "I did make it, didn't I?" From their looks of worry I had to ask. A few hours go by, nurses and friends walk in and out and my nurse comes back in. "You did see the Cortisone the doctors gave you for your burns, right?" she asks.

My mind goes blank as I try to conjure up why in fact I would have any burns considering I was in the hospital for heart surgery, not for being pulled out of a burning building. "Burns?" I question.

"Yeah, you know, from when the doctors defibulated you," was the nurse's reply. The room hung in total silence and for the first time in my life I was speechless. The nurse read my look and added, "They didn't tell you? When your procedure was completed, your heart started beating irregularly and could have caused complications. The doctors gave you a regular beat."

Give me? Oh, and what did they do, pick it up at a convenience store? No, they shocked the hell out of me. You know, as in ER, "CLEAR," the pads go down, the body bounces a few times on the bed and they check for a heart beat type-of-give-me.

At her words, I unconsciously look down my gown in search of any type of large, red mark that would resemble a burn. Sure enough, on my chest was a burn that could have been caused by an iron I just happened to set there.

Even more amusing was the fact that the nurse had scared my hospital roommate who had the same procedure just hours before me by checking for burns on herself. So this is what they mean by "do what they think necessary if a problem should arise?" They decide to throw a few thousand volts of electricity into me. I know I wasn't awake at the time to consult with, but it would have been nice to be informed. I'm on a need-to-know basis and I need to know!

Detective Beth Winge
Case Number: 008
Full Name:
Gamma Sigma Sigma



Photo submitted by Gamma Sigma Sigma

Under investigation for:
There has been some question of what really goes on behind the pretense of being a service sorority. Links have been made between this organization and Red Cross. Vampire-like behaviors have been reported such as their connection to the disappearance of student's blood twice a year. Although no one really knows what they use this blood for, whether it be for smearing it above their doorways or to use in a ritual honoring some entity, investigators are working on nailing a felony to the group.

Common Misconception: A selection process takes place for new members. In actuality, anyone who shows interest is invited into membership. In fact, their bylaws will not allow them to participate in Rush. (Assumably, this means more blood for next year.)

Current reports have suggested: It is now common knowledge that to belong to this group, one must complete a minimum of 17 hours of service per semester. Along with being connected to the blood thing, strange behaviors taking place at The Dunn County Humane Society have been linked to members of this organization. The shelter director claimed suspicious characters came in looking to take the dogs for a walk and never came back. None of the dogs have been recovered at this time.

Future investigations concerning: In every service project or fundraiser, ten percent of the profits are donated to the charity of their choice. These "donations" are now being traced to various plasma banks across the country. What concerns investigators at this time is proving whether or not this group is now going beyond their blood fetish to encompass a whole new dimension.

Life's embarrassing moments and how to survive them

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Sarah is working contently in the computer lab trying to pull up internet articles for a important project. She logs on to some dynamic sites so she continues to search under the same heading. Feeling a bit dazed by one screen after another she clicks the next available site listed.

The screen appeared and Sarah immediately became inflamed, with her heart pounding, palms sweating, and face beat red as she raced to click the home button. Just as her hand embraced the mouse, a friend she had been secretly lusting after was approaching from her side. He got to the middle of the word hello when his eyes scanned her screen and he stopped. Needless to say he was not impressed with the idea of Sarah looking at pornographic pictures of women.

At one time or another everyone has had an embarrassing moment that they had no control over. It is a point where the world comes crashing down and all there is left to do is crawl under a rock and hibernate for the rest of life. I am sure it has happened to everyone before. For instance, the time when you forgot to zip up your pants because you were in a hurry. The time when you were eating a salad and slopped the dressing all over your mouth and clothes. The time when you tripped over your own feet in front of that important person of the opposite sex. These things happen to the best of the human race.

> "A natural reaction might be to cry or run away and never return."
>
> Cassandra Walker
> *Author of Lessons From Life*

Now, the amount of times that they happen to a person is different and how one deals with the situation is unique to each. Some people may be blessed with the fact that for the most part, they keep everything in tact. For others, it's a different story; clumsy is their middle name and the embarrassment is a continual occurance.

So what can be done to avoid embarrassing moments or at least minimize the possibility? When in the middle of a conversation, try not be talking loud so the whole world can hear. Be aware of voice tone as well as the subject being spoke about. In addition, make sure when discussing important topics that no one else is around. To avoid that casual slip of the tongue in an interviewing setting, practice speaking and answering questions before hand and be well-prepared.

Unfortunately for a particular senior with a construction major here, practicing should have been looked at more seriously. When this young man went in for an interview he was quite nervous and had a difficult time responding to questions. When asked what his greatest weakness was he paused for a moment and responded with, "what I stink is my greatest weakness."

To avoid wearing the dinner on the face and clothing, order an item on the menu that will be small enough for one to tackle and avoid messy foods. This was definitely not the case for a junior with a retail major from Stout out on a well-deserved and long-awaited date. This young woman ordered a portebella mushroom sandwich. When she took her first bite of the sandwich half it tasted wonderful. When she proceeded to pull the sandwich away, the bread was the only thing that left her mouth. The mushroom slipped out from the bread and hung at her mouth like an enlarged tongue while the tomato, lettuce, and onion saturated in mustard dripped down her shirt.

How an embarrassing situation is handled may determine the responsereceived from others as well as the dignity one has left. According to a book called *Cassandra's Lessons From Life* on those "Oh-so-embarrassing" moments written by Cassandra Walker she said "one should try not to let it get you down. A natural reaction might be to cry or run away and never return, but try to just laugh it off instead. Then it shows people that you have a sense of humor and a good self-esteem." After all, they always say if one can't laugh at themself, then who can they laugh at?

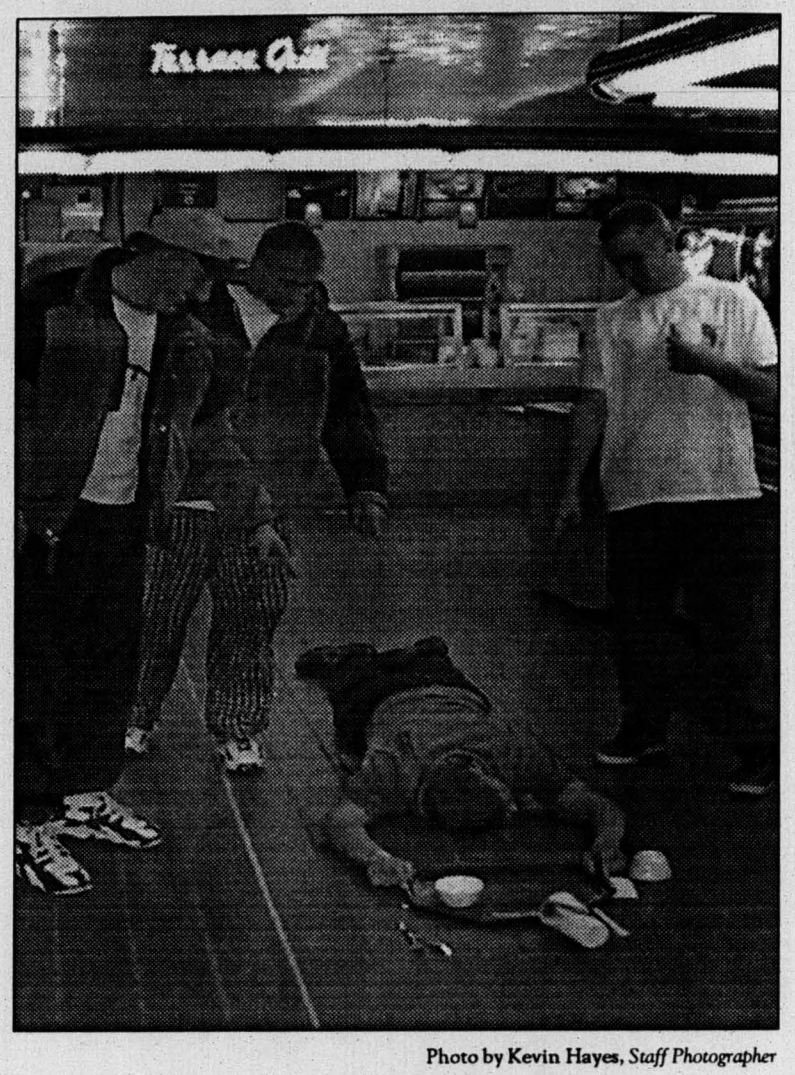


Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Landing face first in The Terrace and scattering the contents of one's tray across the floor while being laughed at by various onlookers happens. The only thing left to do is survive it.

Health Hype

by Sara Blarek
Staff Reporter

Feeling a little sluggish lately? Diet plays a major role in determining energy levels. So, make dietary changes now, during National Nutrition Month, and eat for energy.

Students eat too much fat and sugar, which is a formula for fatigue. However, some fat is necessary because it circulates in the blood, carrying vitamins A, D, E and K; its presence is necessary to convert food to energy. A person needs 25-40 grams of fat a day, which is satisfied by eating a healthy amount of meat daily. Eating junk foods like candy bars, fried foods and fast foods every day exceed the amount of fat needed, and will be stored by the body. Fatty foods also delay the emptying of the stomach into the small intestine, inhibiting the body's uptake of nutrients.

Food that will give energy...

Coffee and candy bars are short term pick-me-ups that cause an energy burst followed by a plummet. Coffee is a diuretic, which can lead to dehydration and fatigue. Also, large meals will make a person sleepy by diverting blood from the brain to the stomach. Consuming greasy foods will also cause fatigue.

Look for foods with an even, long, slow energy burn to improve energy levels. Apples and other fruits and vegetables are loaded with complex carbohydrates, which provide an even energy flow. Whole grain bread, cereal, rice, potatoes and pasta also contain complex carbohydrates for a slow, steady energy source. Pasta has almost no fat or sodium. Also, not all starchy foods cause weight gain, and complex carbohydrates fill people up, if foods with high volume rather than high calories are chosen.

In place of pizza, try pasta with a light sauce of chopped tomato, basil and garlic. Other good choices are a baked potato, stir fry or a flour taco(not fried)with chicken, beans and plenty of vegetable toppings. A handful of unsalted dry-roasted nuts or Baked Lay's potato chips are a tasty and energy boosting snack. All of these foods can be made or stored easily, even in the dorms, or they can be grabbed at The Pawn and The Terrace dining areas at the Memorial Student Center.

For more health information attend "Inside Out Wellness" a group learning experience taught by Tami Gregg, MS, RD, CDE, CD. Contact the Nutrition and Counseling Office at x1623 for more information.

Greek Corner

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Submitted by Inter Greek Council

Inter Greek Council:
- -Thanks to all who participated in the Special Olympics fundraiser. It was a huge success!
- -Greek week is being planned
- -Pictures are needed for the end-of-the-year slide show

Kappa Lamda Beta:
- -Holding a raffle to support the organization
  Tickets cost $1 and prizes are:
  Grand prize - 20" Sony Trinitron Digitized TV
  Second prize - Sony discman
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  Drawing will be held Thursday, April 22.

Chi Lamda:
- -Welcome three more new members, seven total
- -Congratulations for winning: brainiacks, bowling, pool, and best organization in the battlezone competition
- -Thanks to those who helped with Special Olympics in Chippewa Falls this past weekend

Sigma Tau Gamma:
- -Welcome three more new members
- -March 25, is National Sigma Tau Gamma Brotherhood Day
- -Twelve members visiting Acapulco for Spring break

Sigma Sigma Sigma:
- -Thanks to all who attended the Open Rush
- -Will be having another Open Rush on Tuesday, March 23
- -March 29, Acts of Kindness day!

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Marvelous 3 don't live up to marvelous title

If pity and sorrow sold records, the Marvelous 3 would be millionaires.

But they don't and the Marvelous 3's second release, "Hey! Album" hardly deserves a sorrowful spot in any record collection.

The band's twelve song set, released in January, is an over dramatic attempt at pulling at listeners' heartstrings in an appeal for airplay. Only three times on the album does the band deserve the raising of an eyebrow.



Corey Klein

Band: Marvelous 3
Release: Hey! Album
Synopsis: The sophomore effort from the Atlantic trio hardly deserves notice. The only quality sound stems from the radio smash *Freak of the Week*
Rating:

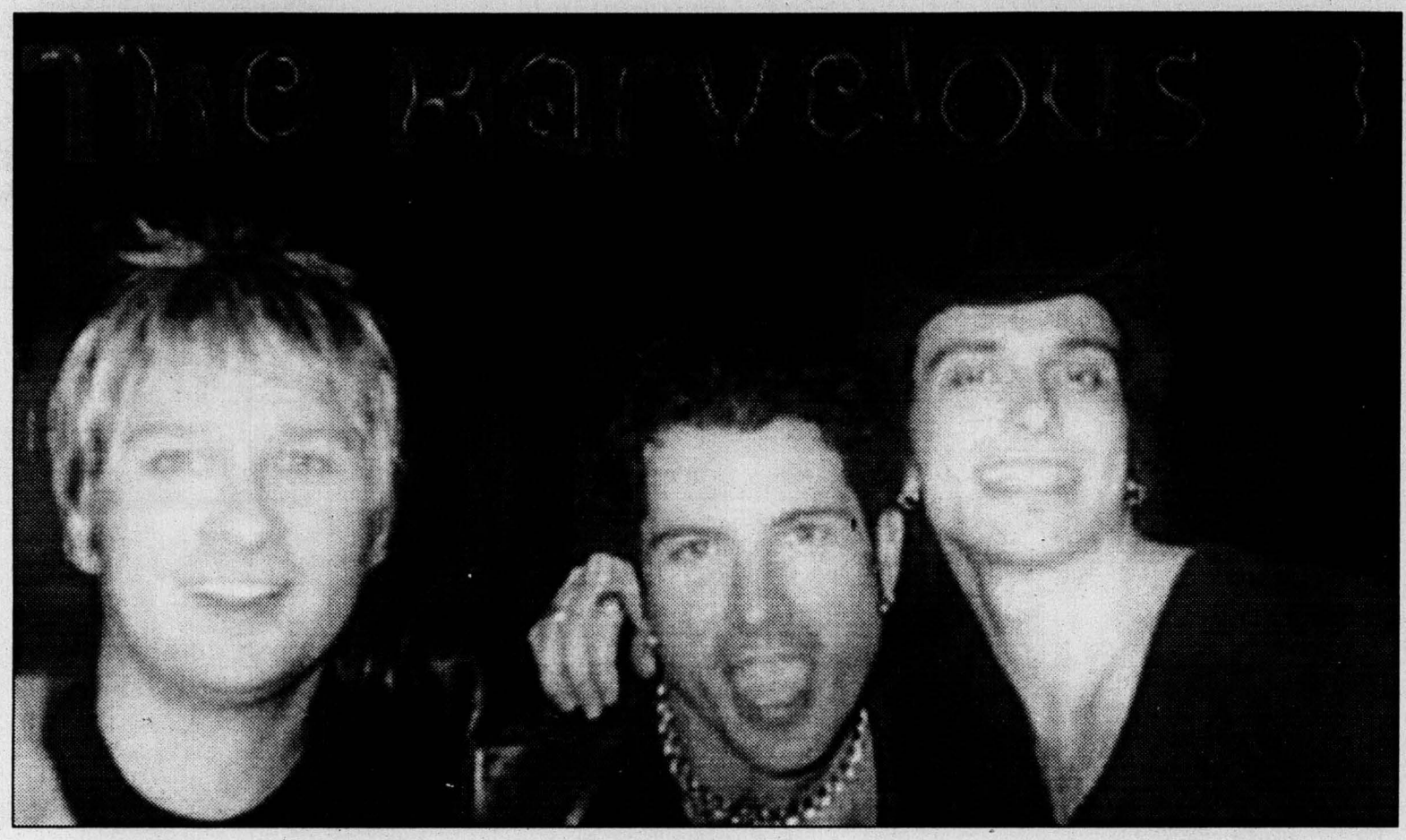


Photo courtesy of Elektra entertainment group

Atlanta natives Marvelous 3 put forth their sophomore release early this Spring, reaching the airwaves with the song *Freak of the Week*. The song is a diamond in the rough, so to speak, as all supporting material on the release "Hey! Album" remain unenlightened ballads. The trio includes (left to right) bassist Jayce Fincher, singer and guitarist Butch Walker, and drummer Slug.

Their bio reads as a typical band story. The trio grew up together in Atlanta where they were voted both "hardest working band" and "best rock band" by the locals. From this background, they released their debut album "Math and Other Problems" to a warm local response. It was described as an "earnest reflection of a heart gone to hell."

The trio claim to be the kings of the suburbanite regulars, and indeed necessitate a comparison to "Lords of the Burbs" Matchbox 20. The band's only goals are to make lots of money and to be on the cover of every magazine in existence. Stereotypical?

Ironically, it is the only song which avoids the prevalent "problem relationship" topic that has gained the band nationwide attention. It is the second song on the album *Freak of the Week* which should soon top Sugar Ray's *Every Morning* for radio airplay in the near future. The song features catchy guitar riffs and a great opening line, the type of song that teenagers will be singing for a month, until the next radio song becomes popular.

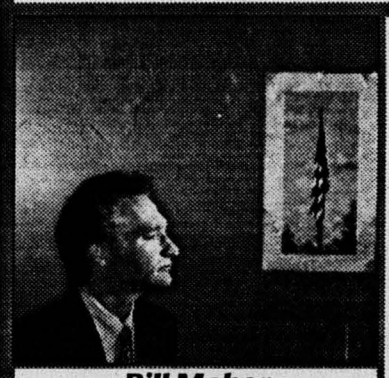
Besides the radio smash, the song writing skills of frontman Butch Walker only shines through in two other places. The opening song, "You're so Yesterday" screams the notion that everything in this culture we have created is an in attempt to always be in step with the person next to you.

Later in the album, the lyrics once again stick in one's mind on #27. One of the heart wretching problem relationship songs to be warned about, the song is the home of the catchy phrase, "She got the #27...cuz that was my basketball number, back when we started to date."

Other than the aforementioned tracks, the Marvelous 3 fill the remainder of the album with monotonous tones, all stemming from shattered relationships. At the end of the album, one feels almost compelled to jump on the phone to console the trio.

Overall, the album is a disappointment, especially if one buys the release expecting the same upbeat feel "Freak of the Week" has. For Marvelous 3's second release, the group earns one star, almost out of sympathy. The band should enjoy their fame from their one radio hit and grab their money while they can.

If they say so ...



Bill Maher
Host - Politically Incorrect
On Jesse Ventura

"Jesse Ventura is the most important politician in America. He's not a robot, not a suit. He's the anti-Al Gore."

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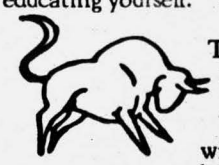


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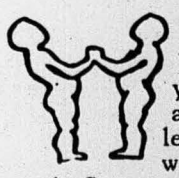
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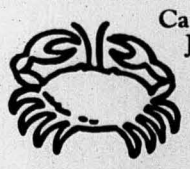
Aries (March 21 - April 19) Once again the Easter holiday is sneaking up. It would be a good idea to plan ahead and use this time off wisely. First, call and make sure the liquor store is fully stocked. Then you can catch up on your reading. Get out your "Bartender's Bible" and spend a few quality hours educating yourself.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Today you will find a really big piece of lint in your pocket. That's all.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Two people near you will engage in a serious and violent rubber band war. You will get caught fleeing and consequently, severely thwapped. You'll only have to wear the eye patch for three months though.



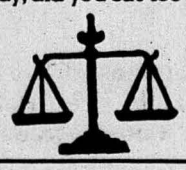
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Today you will be suddenly struck by what a genius Fonzie from "Happy Days" was. You'll vow to do something about it.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Maybe you could form a band today. Get together with someone else, (preferably one who can play an instrument, since you can't) buy a leather jacket, sunglasses, a pack of cigarettes, and sing some of those perverted songs that have been floating around in your head this last month. Background vocals are optional.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Your down jacket is starting to fall apart, and you'll leave a path of floating feathers behind you. This will put you in a bad mood. In addition to losing your favorite jacket, every nerdy person that sees you will think that this is hysterically funny and will yell out, "Hey buddy, did you eat too much chicken?"



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You'll get one of those pieces of toast today with a really big hole in it, and the jelly will squish out the bottom. You'll think that you can stop it from dripping with your tongue, but you'll fail like every other time this has occurred, and your shirt will be stained. That's it for today's excitement.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Good day to wear overalls and discuss bean farming with retired people at a diner or family-style restaurant. Or at least, that's a lot more exciting than what you normally would be doing.



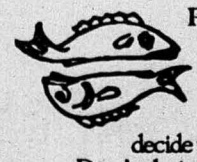
Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) You will find a many-legged creature under the fridge. Unfortunately, it will be the size of a small horse. It will spot you and try to make off with the fridge. In a desperate attempt to save your refrigerator, you will chase after it. The creature will turn and eat you in addition to the fridge.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Today you will attempt to copy the success of SPAM by inventing SPEEF. Unfortunately, the person who invented SPICKEN made millions, and you won't.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Spring Break has already been old history for you, even though you are still feeling the side effects. You still can't figure out or remember how you got that itchy red rash on your ass. At least not until you develop your film...



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) You will go to a Chinese restaurant and decide to try something new. Don't do it! It won't look like food, and all of the employees that didn't speak very good English will stare curiously as you eat their "Special of the Week."

Jonatha Brooke soars with *10-Cent Wings*

With talent to land her a spot on next year's all-female line-up at Lilith Fair, Jonatha Brooke delivers heart-felt lines on her latest release. Who is she? I hadn't the slightest idea until I had the opportunity to listen to the Boston native's 1997 CD entitled "10-Cent Wings".



Phil Shoetvedt

Release:
"10-Cent Wings"
Artist:
Jonatha Brooke
Who: Boston native whose first love is dance.
Synopsis: A refresher course for those who enjoy "Lilith Fair" - type music.
Upcoming: Will be playing in St. Paul on April 18. Check her out online at www.jonathabrooke.com
Rating: 1/2

Setting aside any preconceived notions, listening to Jonatha's vocals will remind most listeners of Joan Osborne or Sarah McLachlan. Her unique name is fitting for her unique melodies and semi-folk singing style. She's one of those artists that you could picture doing a concert and sounding exactly like she does on her CDs.

"10-Cent Wings" is Jonatha's third solo album and it contains 12 tracks lasting for a total of about 55 minutes. The album has a slight folk music feel to it with some poetic Indigo Girls-type lyrics. Of the picturesque scenes painted, ones that stuck in my mind include *Ten Cent Wings*, *Because I Told You So*, and *Genius or a Fool*.

The tracks that drag this album down a few pegs are *Glass Half Empty* and *Blood from a Stone*. Tracks such as these are expected, however, as the release is so soft-hearted, it is guaranteed that not all ballads will stick with listeners' ears.



Photo courtesy of wwww.jonathabrooke.com

Jonatha Brooke, standing amidst flowery blooms, has blossomed herself, giving the world a new female voice to become accustomed to. Her third release, "10 Cent Wings," has won much praise for the Boston native.

Surprisingly, singing is not Brooke's first love - it's dancing. All throughout high school and her first year of college, Jonatha pursued this original medium. Not until her second year at college did she start singing with an acappella group and writing songs with her best friend, whom she later started her first band with. This band slowly pulled her away from her dancing fancy and launched her into the music business.

Finding rather minimal success in the Massachusetts area, the duo decided to break up and pursue solo careers.

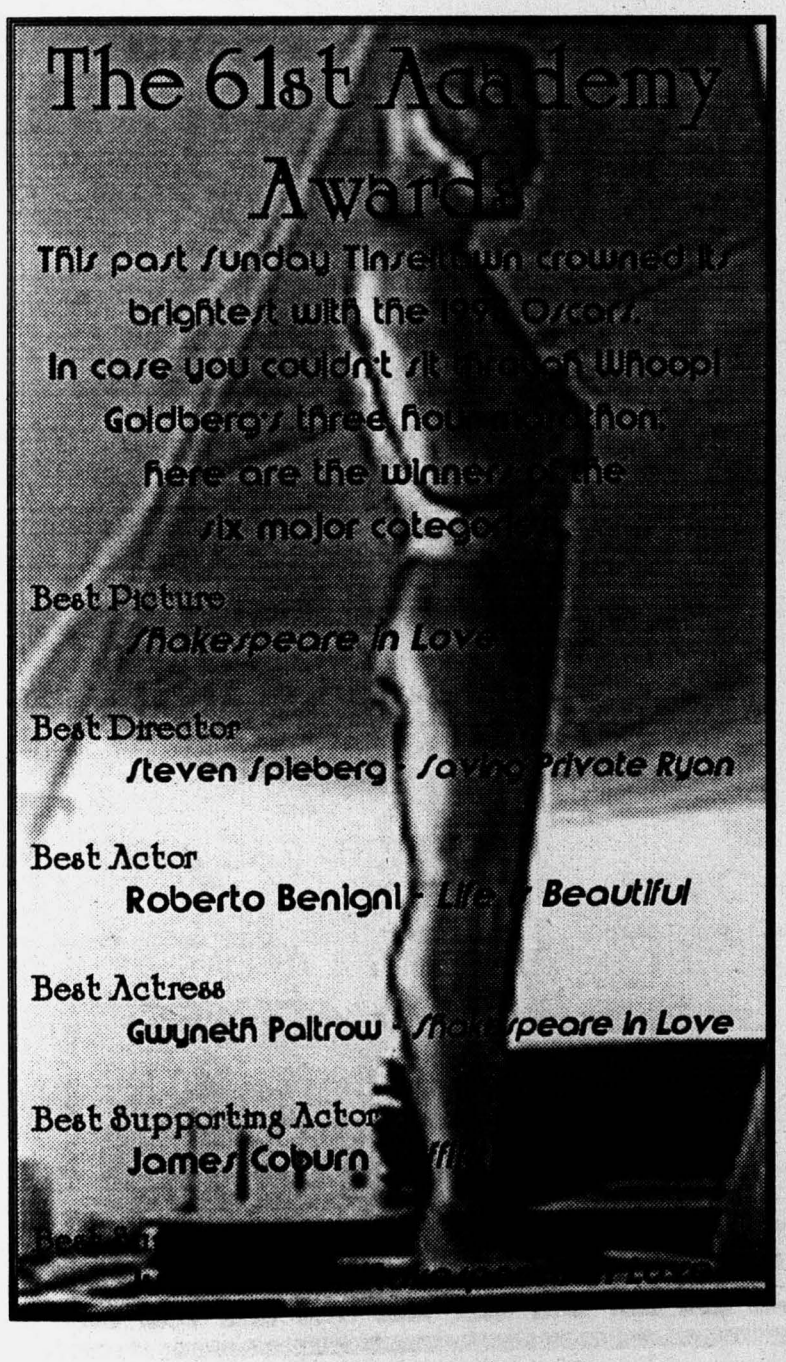
Seven years, three albums, and two record companies later Jonatha is finally coming into her own, and showing some great potential.

In fact, Jonatha has been slowly gaining popularity with her album. Reviews in *Rolling Stone*, GQ, and *People* have, for the majority, been very positive and supportive.

Her rising fame has also helped her create her fourth album titled "Jonatha Brooke Live" which was released this past February, and from what I've read, has been getting some good reviews. I wouldn't be the least bit surprised to see Jonatha touring with the rest of the girl power bands at the Lilith Fair in the future.

In all, I was very pleased with my first encounter with Jonatha Brooke. She's got a nice poetic quality and a great vocal range, and I would encourage those who have an interest in soft female music to give her a listen. If you're lucky enough to be computer literate you can check her out at her web site, www.jonathabrooke.com, or see her live in St. Paul on April 18th.

My one beef with this album is its slightly depressing and at times overly cynical lyrics. So with that in mind Jonatha earns herself a 3-and-a-half.
That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.



The Johnny Holm Band returns courtesy of FYE



Photo courtesy of FYE

Minnesota-based The Johnny Holm Band will make their return to Stout next week, appearing in the Great Hall Monday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. The show, along with opening act Almost Home, is free to Stout students.

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Baseball tests the waters in Florida

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

Despite the warming temps in northwest Wisconsin, the UW-Stout Men's Baseball Team headed south to Ft. Meyers, Florida over spring break in search of balmy baseball weather.

The Devils' first game was scheduled to be March 14 vs. MacMurray College of Illinois, but it was rained out and never made up.

The Blue Devils played their first game on Monday, March 15th as they faced off with Amherst College of Massachussets in a double header. The team dropped the first of the pair and, despite out-hitting Amherst 5-2 in the second contest, Stout was unable to cross the plate as they surrendered a 2-0 loss, their second loss in as many games.

Amherst scored their only two runs of the game courtesy of two infield miscues by the Blue Devils.

On Tuesday the Devils went head to head with Rowan University in a double dipper. Junior J.R. Dachel went 4-for-7 on the afternoon including a pair of round-trippers. However, that single effort was not enough to hold down the Profs of Rowan. The Devils again dropped both games, 5-2 and 12-3.

After taking a much needed day of rest, the Blue Devils once again took to the diamond. The first of two games Thursday matched Stout against Ripon College of Ripon, Wisconsin. Stout and Ripon battled it out in an 11-inning marathon which found the Blue Devils on the short end of a 7-6 final.

Stout had chances to end the contest as they held leads heading into the bottom half of the 9th and 11th innings but squandered both. J.R. Dachel tapped two more touch-em-alls in the game as he went 2-for-4 in the first game. After the drawn out contest against Ripon, Stout was never able to get started in their second game of the day against nationally ranked Aurora College and were overcome in a 16-4 decision.

Friday, the Blue Devils were faced with yet another stiff challenge with the nationally ranked College of Wooster from Ohio as the opposition in a double-header. In the first match up, Stout fell behind early and headed into the bottom of the seventh down 6-0. The bats, wood this year, came alive for the team in the seventh as they mounted a comeback led by a two-RBI single by Brad O'Connel and a two-RBI double from Tate Cummins. The comeback was too little too late though as they suffered the 6-4 loss.

The second game found the Devils in a familiar position, out to an early lead thanks to a two-run double off the bat of Andy Guden. Unearned runs once again haunted the Blue Devils in the later innings as the Scots of Wooster handed them their second loss of the day.

After a week of disappointing losses, the Blue Devils managed to put together some good pitching, timely hitting, and solid defense as they picked up two wins the final day of the trip.

Behind a solid pitching performance by Jake Streich, Stout produced a 2-1 victory over Marian College. In the second contest, the Mt. Vernon hitters honed in on three Stout pitchers, before Brian Bee and Corey Paar were able to stymie the bats of the Mt. Vernon squad. Down 3-1 heading into the seventh, Stout massed a comeback. A two-run single from Brad O'Connel knotted the game at three before freshman infielder Nick Kalina came up with the game-winning double that plated O'Connel.

"The outfield play was excellent," said team captain Andy Guden of their especially defensive effort throughout the trip. Guden sees "mental toughness" and "late-inning momentum" as keys to success for the squad presently.

Stout's next game is this Saturday against Wheaton College of Illinois and will be played at the Metrodome in Minneapolis.

Track and Field athletes transcend performance

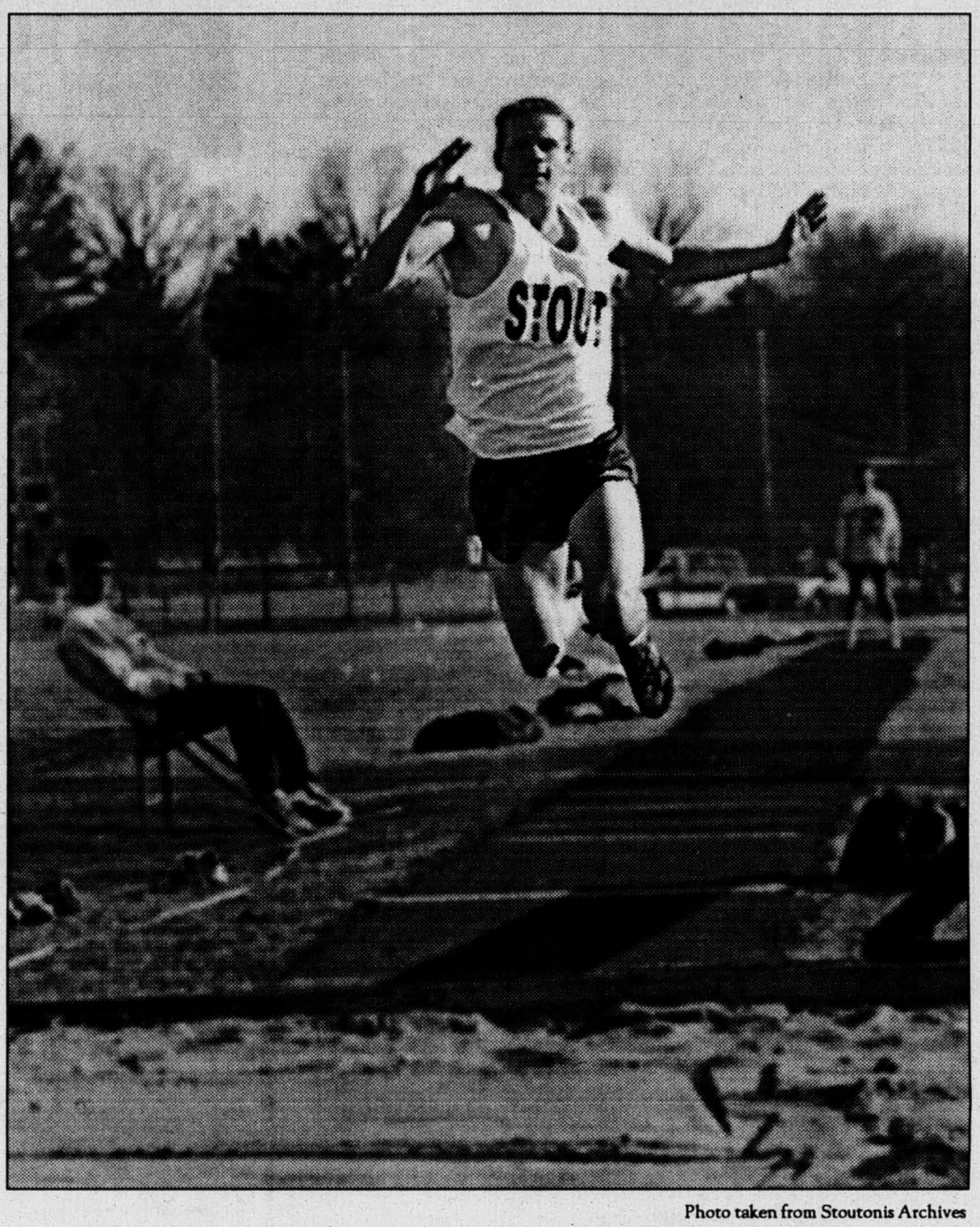
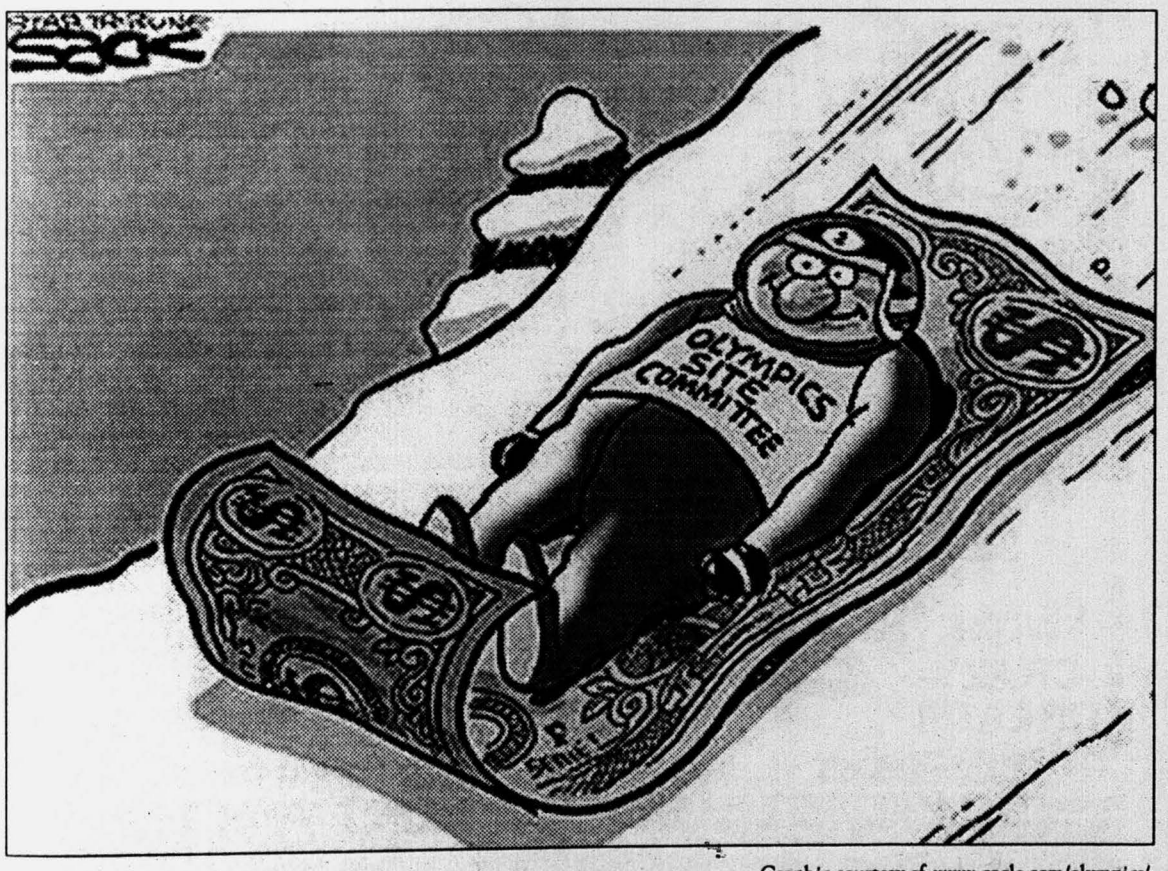


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Stout Men's Track and Field jumped into several provisional qualifying spots at the NCAA Division III Indoor Championships on the efforts of two key athletes. Both the Men's and Women's Teams will compete in the home opener of the outdoor season on Fri. April 2.
See Press Box on page 14 for more information.

Olympic scandal tarnishes golden reputation of sports

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.



Graphic courtesy of www.cagle.com/olympics/

Jamie Dean
Columnist

Now that the FBI, amongst other agencies, has begun to investigate the Salt Lake City bribery scandal, new allegations have been brought to light that suggest that the city's bribery issue is just the tip of an Olympic iceberg.

Long-standing Swiss International Olympic Committee member Marc Hodler, who made the initial allegations, has cast further doubt on the future of the games by alleging that IOC officials had been accepting bribes from lobbyists on behalf of host cities at least as far back as 1990.

Salt Lake City officials have admitted that cash, medical coverage and expensive gifts had been bestowed upon a number of officials, including a $400,000 college scholarship which would benefit members of their families, during the Olympic campaign for the 2002 Winter Games that saw the city win by a landslide majority in 1995.

Following the emergence of the scandal, several key officials in the Salt Lake Organizing Committee (SLOC) have resigned, and Salt Lake City's mayor, Deedee Corradini, has surprised many by declaring that she will not be standing for reelection in 2000.

Some IOC members implicated as recipients in the bribery scandal received cash payments of as much as $70,000. Another allegation involves city committee members that made arrangements for some of the foreign IOC members to be supplied with prostitutes, but has not yet been substantiated.

Despite widespread protestation, the decision to relocate the 2002 Winter Games has been determinedly ruled out by the IOC, on the grounds that none of the runner-up cities would have time to prepare or to raise the billions of dollars necessary to host the games, which are just two years away.

The treatment of the sporting institution as fair game by the big, mainly American, corporations is probably largely responsible for its fall from grace. These are the same corporations that make events like the Olympics and other major international sports competitions such big, extravagant events. Despite sport-friendly slogans in the soft-drink and sportswear advertisements that are unavoidable if you watch the competitions in the arena or on television, it is becoming increasingly evident that the Olympics are not far from becoming a complete mockery, a mere puppet of the American consumer gospel.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Gymnastics

UW-Stout's Brenna Jones finished 22nd at the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association (NCGA) Championships on the floor exercise Friday, March 19 at Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, Minn.

Jones scored a season-best 9.30 in the opening round of the championships. Only the top 12 competitors advance to the finals, and the cut-off point on the floor was 9.45. Jones finished 10th last season at the national championship on the floor.

WIAC champion UW-La Crosse won the team title, with UW-Oshkosh fourth. The Championships concluded the 1998-99 season.

Men's Track and Field

Buchholtz didn't miss a beat as he won the pole vault event at the California State University at Long Beach Invitational Saturday, March 20 in Long Beach, Calif.

Buchholtz leaped to an NCAA Division III outdoor automatic qualifying height of 15-feet, 11.75-inches in the Blue Devils' first outdoor meet of the season.

The height exceeded the height Buchholtz attained to place second at the NCAA Division III Indoor championships the previous week when he went an even 15-11.

As a team, the Blue Devils placed seventh in the 11-team event, which featured a number of NCAA Division I programs.

Hamill placed third in the 3000-meter steeplechase in an NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time of 9:14.78.

Corey Knudsen was fifth in the pole vault and Matt Lausted placed seventh. John Hanson was sixth in the 400-meter and John Boldt finished seventh in the 200. Jeff Miller made his mark in eighth place in the 400-hurdles.

Stout is off until Friday, April 2 when they host the UW-Stout Outdoor Invitational.

Women's Track and Field

UW-Stout's Katie Jacobson broke a school record and placed third in the 1500-meter run at the NCAA Division III Indoor Track and Field Championships Saturday, March 13 at Ohio Northern University in Ada, Ohio.

Jacobson clocked a time of 4-minutes, 35.77-seconds to break the record of 4:36.03 set by Sue Meyer in March of 1986. Jacobson holds four indoor middle distance records and two outdoor middle distance records for Stout.

The national meet concluded the indoor track and field season. Outdoor competition begins April 2.

Softball team loses despite player efforts

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

It's not whether you win or lose, it's how you play the game. The Blue Devil Women's Softball Team served as a shining example of this old adage last week during their annual tournament in Orlando. With a grueling schedule keeping the women on the field for two games a day, the trip could hardly be qualified as a vacation. Nonetheless, it was a valuable experience which the women hope to capitalize upon fully.

Their record, a disappointing 1-9, is hardly indicative of the kind of team Coach Chris Stainer has managed to assemble. Four of the ten teams they played are nationally ranked in the top 14, and the tournament is generally heralded as one of the toughest in the country. The youth of the team showed as they went head to head with programs older than most of the players. Admittedly there were a few blow outs, but more than one game was close enough to raise a few eyebrows as opponents started to take note of a developing threat. This attention was validated when Stout put down Carroll College in a 3-2 decision which came all the way down to the last inning.

One of the lessons the women were able to bring home is that of experience. They now have had the experience of playing some of the best teams in the nation. And while there weren't as many checks in the win column as some would have liked, there were still many high points to look back on. Cara Fenhouse, working behind the plate, was able to throw out a slew of runners attempting to steal second base. She also managed an impressive 1st base pick. Performing equally well was Janel Kernz who hit nearly .600 on the week. This showing earned her a move up to lead off hitter in the line up.

Other players who were able to improve their lot included Jill Petrie, whose defensive ability solidified her position at second base. Pitchers Rebecca Zimmerman and Rebecca Duele both had excellent showings and answered many questions surrounding the stability of the Blue Devil bullpen. Also filling in the blanks are Bobby Bailey, who will be filling in behind the plate because of an injury to catcher Fenhouse. Fenhouse will be out for up to 2 weeks due to an impending operation. Joining her on the D.L. is right fielder Becky Wright, who is awaiting a doctor's approval before returning to the field after an arm injury.

Coach Stainer maintains high hopes for the team this season. "It was a good week, we had our ups and downs, but we were able to learn from the mistakes we did make, and talk through things that weren't working, Stainer said in summary of her experience. "All in all we learned to focus on the positive throughout."

The Blue Devils will have an opportunity to test their skills again this weekend during the Simpson Invitational in Iowa. Their home opener will be the following week.

The Agenda

UW-Stout's Upcoming Blue Devil Sports Schedule

Men's Baseball
Sat. March 27 11 a.m
vs. Wheaton College (IL)
at the Minneapolis Metrodome

Women's Softball
March 27-28 TBA
at Simpson College (IA)

Men's Track and Field
Sat. March 27 TBA
Holiday Manor HS Classic, here

Women's Track and Field
Sat. March 27 11 a.m.
at Emory University (GA)

Women's Tennis
Fri. March 26 4 p.m.
vs. Northwestern College, here

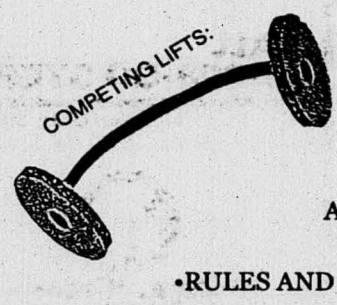
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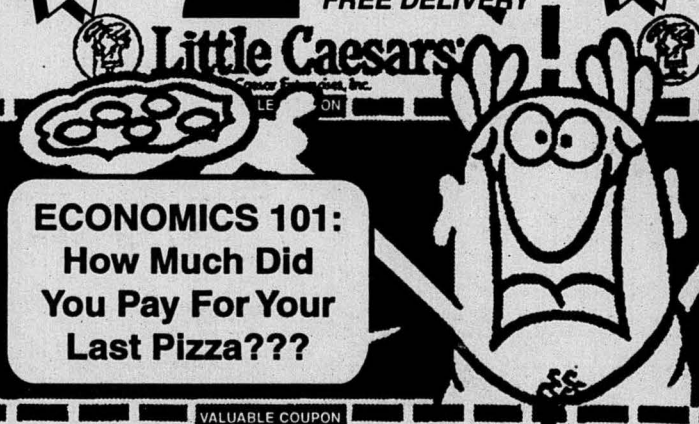


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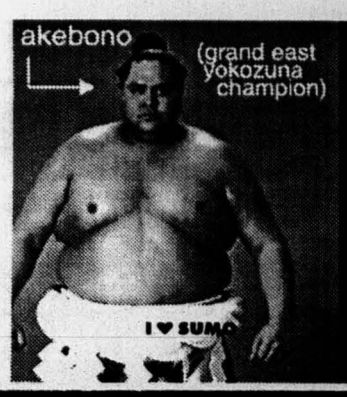
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Who put the Joe in "sloppy joes"?

by Craven Morebrew
News Editor

The sloppy joes served at the Merle Price Commons on Tuesday contained a little more meat than usual.

While stirring the huge vat of tomato sauce and simmering beef, Commons employee and Home Economics major Joe Delby passed out from the considerable stench. He fell headfirst into the vat, to a timely death.

"I thought his sudden disappearance was very unlike him," Liz Kourting, Commons co-worker, said. "He really put himself into his food you know, so I couldn't believe he had just fallen off the face of the earth."

Because Joe was not very popular or particularly good-looking, in fact he was more on the ugly side, no one bothered to look for the guy. Had it not been for a few cases of food poisoning, he may have been completely forgotten. A Dunn County Health Inspector was sent in to test for tainted meat. No, not at the Commons, they said.

The very old meat was still around waiting to be renamed and reserved. A sample was sent for testing. Not surprisingly, the meat contained beaver, squirrel, pig, cow, and buffalo. The lab technicians were surprised to find the meat also contained Joe.

Stout students who have admitted to eating the sloppy "joes" said they only noticed the excessive amount of short, dark hairs in the sandwich, but then again, that was nothing new when dining at the Commons.

"You never would have known," exclaimed Adam Bierong after the news spread around the campus. "I mean, I had my usual case of gut rot after eating at the Commons, but nothing to indicate I had eaten a guy! By the way, was he cute?"

Those who knew and loved Joe Delby feel a little differently about his passing.

"Joe would have wanted it that way," his roommate, Luke Coburn said. "Food meant everything to him. For Joe to be the main course of a meal would be like Pamela Lee Anderson being able to f**k herself."

Services for Joe Delby will be held at the Menomonie funeral home on Friday, the Second of April at 3:00 p.m. There will be an open casket containing the sloppy remains of Joe. Fresh kaiser buns will be provided for mourners who are hungry.

Delby's girlfriend urges all who even remotely knew Joe to attend. She has composed a loving speech she plans to read entitled "He Put the Joe in Sloppy," which is rumored to be very moving.

How's this hairy ass for ya?

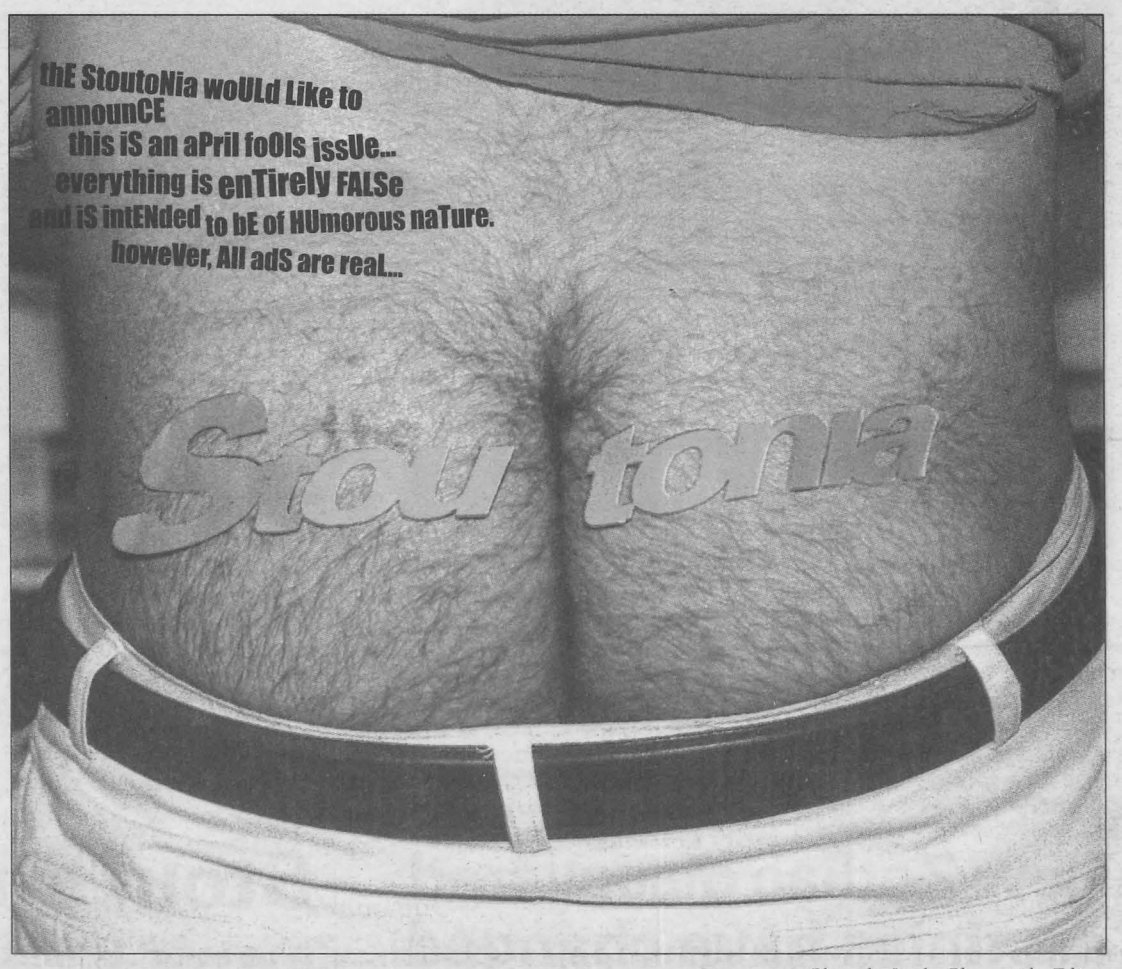


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Here, the Stoutonia Editor-in-Chief says farewell to the Stoutonia. To the rest of the graduating Stoutonia staff as well as the campus, Happy Graduation and don't let the door hit you in the ass on the way out!

Faculty crankiness diagnosed

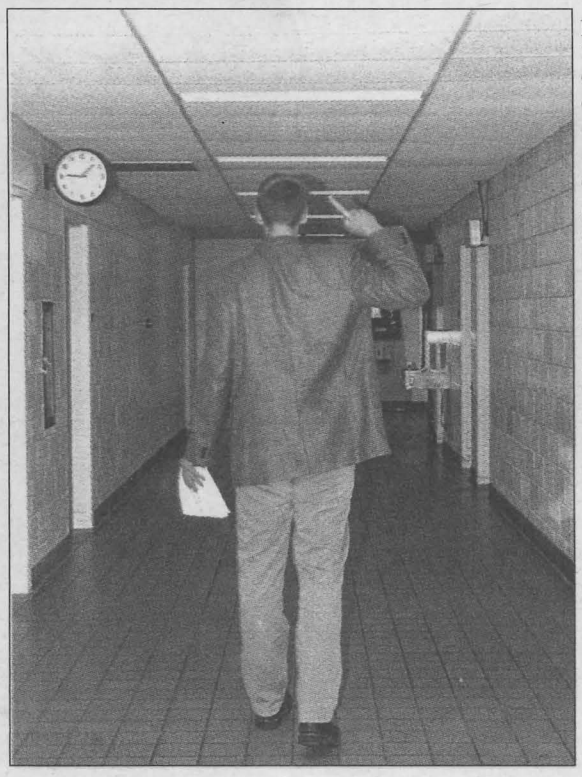


Photo by Lisa Harris, *Photo Editor*

Here an unnamed professor infected with the virus Tenuritis displays one of its common side effects-obvious dislike for anyone under 24.

by Ivanna B. Rollin
Editor-in-Chief

An unprecedented and chilling epidemic is spreading across American campuses. A debilitating virus dubbed "Tenuritis dysphoria" has been described by authorities as "a condition that disorients those in the teaching profession, causing noted laziness, debilitated class preparation, cockiness, and an obvious dislike for anyone under the age of 24.

"We haven't quite put our finger on it yet, as our researchers are busy preparing for golf season, but we believe the condition emerges with the overwhelming realization of academic staff that, short of student molestation, they will never be fired," CDC Spokesperson Angela Consterntini said.

Faculty lunchrooms are thought to be the origin of Tenuritis. Newly-hired staff were apparently infected by the contagious disease through spreading rumors that teaching sucks, students are ungrateful little pricks, and pseudo-retirement is possible through mental shutdown, closemindedness, and an overall lack of concern for future generations.

"It's really hard to go on this way. I mean, every day you have to fight the urge in class to say 'F**king wake up, you insolates!' or 'How stupid are you?' It's a day to day struggle. And then there's preparing overheads and tests...that's the worst. You try as you might, but you just can't remember what the point is," Mike Clapper, afflicted professor, said.

The CDC is working closely with college campuses to find a cure. Several antidotes look promising ,including returning faculty to yearly contract status until the condition subsides. There has even been talk of considering course evaluations filled out by students. "We didn't want it to come to this, but we may have to start actually reading those friggin' things," Dan Asmunchun of the Alliance of Motivationally-Challenged Deans, said. "What's next, actually firing professors? God Almighty."

Some, however, believe the situation isn't so bad. "Sometimes you get these professors who, like, assign zero papers and like maybe one take-home exam. And they let ya out early 'cuz they got a personal problem or they show up to class less than you do. In the name of medicine, can't we just inject the whole slew of 'em? I got two A's last semester!," one student, clearly the victim of an affected English professor, said.

According to Reuters Health News, the epidemic is being watched closely by Chinese authorities, who hope to quarantine and study American specimens, to figure out "what the hell these professors could be thinking."

Health officials are still pondering the exact source, though. University of Wisconsin-Plattville interns are convinced that a warm-water whirlpool in Toledo, Ohio, is actually the source.

Dress code brings back 80s trends

by Sandy Beaches
Staff Reporter

As we prepare to enter the 21st century, many people are wondering what the next trend will be. In a rare twist of events, UW-Stout officials have declared the campus will be returning to the 1980s way of life.

"The 70s have already been revisited," states one official, who wanted to remain nameless. "It's time to show the world that the fashion capital of the world is not Paris or New York, but rather Menomonie, Wisconsin. The 80s look will be all over the runways soon, and Stout will be the originator. We'll make the 80s look the hottest trend."

This means the campus dress code will undergo dramatic changes (or perhaps not so far from reality). Acid-washed, ripped-up jeans rolled at the ankles will be the only denim product allowed on campus, other than the ever-popular jean jackets of the 80s. Long hair must be permed and women's bangs will now be required to be curled and hair sprayed so that they can withstand the strongest wind. Instead of the currently popular grunge look, punk will make a comeback.

Accessories such as plastic earrings that reach the shoulders and fake silver bangle bracelets must accompany every woman's outfit as soon as the dress code takes effect. Florescent hightop sneakers, jelly shoes, and Dr. Scholls will be the shoes of choice among both students and faculty.

In order to capture the total effect

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Chancellor bares all for art

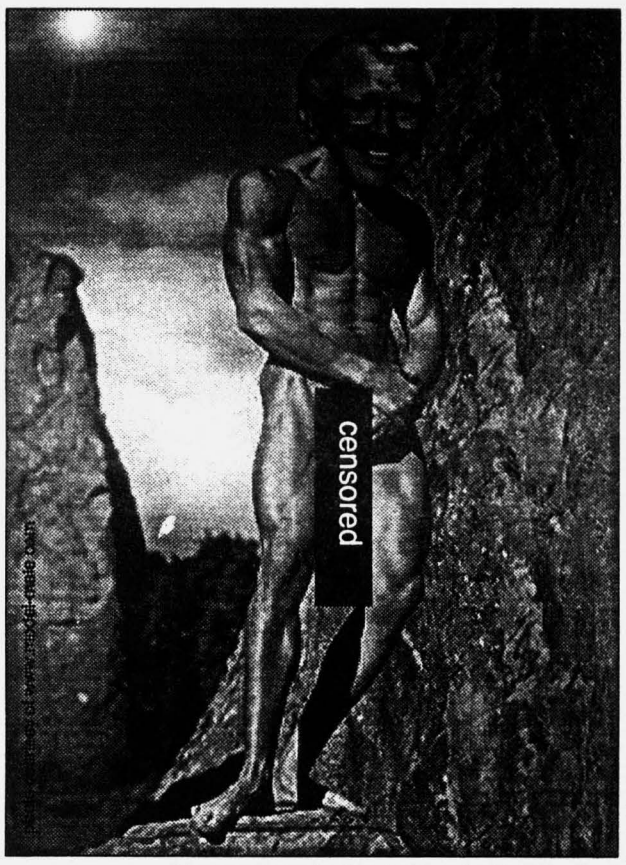


Photo rendering by Maurits Cornelis, *Staff Graphead*

by Craven Morebrew
News Editor

Prancing around naked, Chancellor Sorensen was obviously not embarrassed as he waited to pose for a Life Drawing class on Monday.

"I had no idea a man of his age could be so erect in posture, and for such a long time," Jesta Stiffy, a third year Art major, said breathlessly. "But I guess it was early in the morning."

The female members of the class seemed entranced with the Chancellor. He, in turn, was up for their avid inspection.

A portion of the male gender students were noticeably disgusted at his formidable displays of attention.

There was a wide range of reactions, from mildly entertained to irrationally moved, as students studied the Chancellor's nudity in all of its glory right down to the minor, and not so minor, details.

Doug Cummings, Professor of Art and Design and Instructor of Life Drawing said, "Due to the fact that the Chancellor is a father figure, because of his age and also due to the fact of his, well, how do I put it? Well, his manliness is so massive, it just took us all by surprise, some of us anyway."

Not all of the students attending the class have been able to forget what they have seen and drawn. The unsettling event has many scarred for life and in need of intensive psychotherapy.

"I wake up every night screaming!" Penissa Rock relates. "I keep having dreams of a man chasing me with this huge poker in his hand. All he says is 'Draw this one, baby, draw this one,' over and over!"

There has been some controversy as to whether a Professor, Dean, or anyone in an academic position should be allowed to strut their bad selves in student classes for the sake of what some consider "art."

"I was really uncomfortable with seeing his penis," Harry Nutz said. "Now whenever I meet him, I can't help looking at him in a very different way and in a different place."

"My love tool has taken on more than that small crowd," boasted the Chancellor. "Now let me tell you, I am not a small man. Never was. I don't intend to keep that a secret."

Exciting job unfolds for Stout I.D. grad



Photo submitted by Noah

by Noah
Staff Reporter

"I can't believe I found work so quickly," said Jason Johnson, who is graduating in May with a B.F.A. in Industrial Design. A designer coming out of college looking for an entry level design position can expect to wait 6 months to a year before finding work.

"None of my friends have jobs yet," boasts Johnson. "I'm going to give them a good ribbing when I start work next week. They'll be sitting on their asses at their parent's houses waiting for firms to call and set up interviews." Jason is looking forward to working at Lakeside Floral in east Menomonie and says that he won't let them down.

The average starting salary for an entry level designer in the field of Industrial Design is $22-28,000 annually. Jason's starting salary will be just above minimum wage. Johnson understands that often times an artist must sacrifice for his art, and realizes that he would have to work an average 88 hrs a week to keep up with his classmates. In his estimation, never having to move out of Menomonie and the lower cost of living will be enough compensation. Long hours are nothing new for Johnson; the average Industrial Design student regularly puts in 50 hours a week on just their core design classes.

"It's always great to see our graduates returning some of their creativity back to the community in which

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New Zodiac discovered: destinies have changed

by Dwayne Newton
Staff Reporter

"Hey baby, whassss your sign?" It's the question that has started millions relationships and spawned many children. Are we compatible in the stars? A new discovery made by Dr. B.S. Jones, doctor of the stars, has shed light on why many of these relationships have not worked out.

Jones, 43 of Harding, Wichita, discovered depictions of a thirteenth sign of the zodiac while overseeing the restoration of recently unearthed Mesopotamian ewers at the site of a dig near Canha, Turkey.

"I was so shocked, I could do nothing but sit there and weep," said Dr. Jones recently when questioned of the moment that the great discovery was made.

The illustrated pots clearly depict the form of a swan: Cygnus, that appears in the night sky between the constellations of Capricorn and Aquarius.

Though there has been noted opposition from some hard-line astrologers and manufacturers of cheap souvenirs and novelty key fobs, the widely respected astrologist body, the Astrological Scholarship Society (ASS) has been quick to embrace and officiate the new sign.

"This could be the reason for high divorce rates," Star Flower, follower of the Zodiac, believes. "I had always thought the man for me was a Scorpio, now I to find out he is really a Sagittarius! That explains the incident with my husband's brother-in-law!"

Despite fears that a thirteenth month would need to be added to the current Diocletian Calendar in order to accommodate the new sign, Dr. Jones has strongly suggested that the dates of astrological star charts are simply reorganized to include Cygnus and represent the celestial sphere more truthfully.

According to Jones's proposal, those born between the parameters of Jan. 31 - Feb. 27 should now be considered Aquarius, those born between Feb. 28 - March 27 are Pisces, March 28 - April 24 are Aries, April 25 - May 22 are Taurus, May 23 - June 19 are Gemini, June 20 - July 17 are Cancer, July 18 - August 14 are Leo, August 15 - Sept. 11 are Virgo, Sept. 12 - Oct. 10 are Libra, Oct. 11 - Nov. 7 are Scorpio, Nov. 8 - Dec. 5 are Sagittarius, Dec. 6 - January 2 are Capricorn, and those born between Jan. 3 and 30 fall under the new thirteenth sign, Cygnus.

According to leading astrologer, Jean-Michel Faucet, "Cygnus personalities are typically quiet and introverted, working best on their own, but reliant on a select nucleus of friends when it's time to party."

Though not as headstrong as Taurus, or as openly argumentative as Sagittarius, Cygnus personalities conceal a vicious strike that is best not to arouse.

Aside from this, Cygneans are very visual people, able to realize complicated ideas and concepts, reasonably tolerant and adept at forming and maintaining meaningful relationships.

Stout student aroused by spit

by Ima Hornaē
Staff Reporter

One of UW-Stout's own students is suffering from a curious and strange condition. "I become uncontrollably aroused whenever I see or hear the splat of saliva hitting the sidewalk," confessed an anonymous female sophomore transfer student in a recent interview.

The student, who will only identify herself as "Connie," agreed to be interviewed after concerned and confused bystanders found her thrashing around on the pavement outside Bowman Hall. She said it was all caused by a male student who launched a lugey at the bike rack. "I was just leaving math class when this bowlegged guy just hurled one from, like, a mile away, and then I got all hot and tingly and that's when they found me," she admitted, simply disguised by a large pair of glasses with fake nose and mustache and a rainbow colored wig.

Connie has recently transferred from Stanford. "I come from a well-to-do family, I guess you could say. I've never been to a rural area like Menomonie before. I'd never even seen a real live cow before either. The sight of rugged male students spitting was new to me too, and somehow, undeniably sexy," she said with a grin. And they're all over the place here."

"There's something incredibly virile about the sound of phlegm being dredged up from a man's larynx, you know? And those tiny

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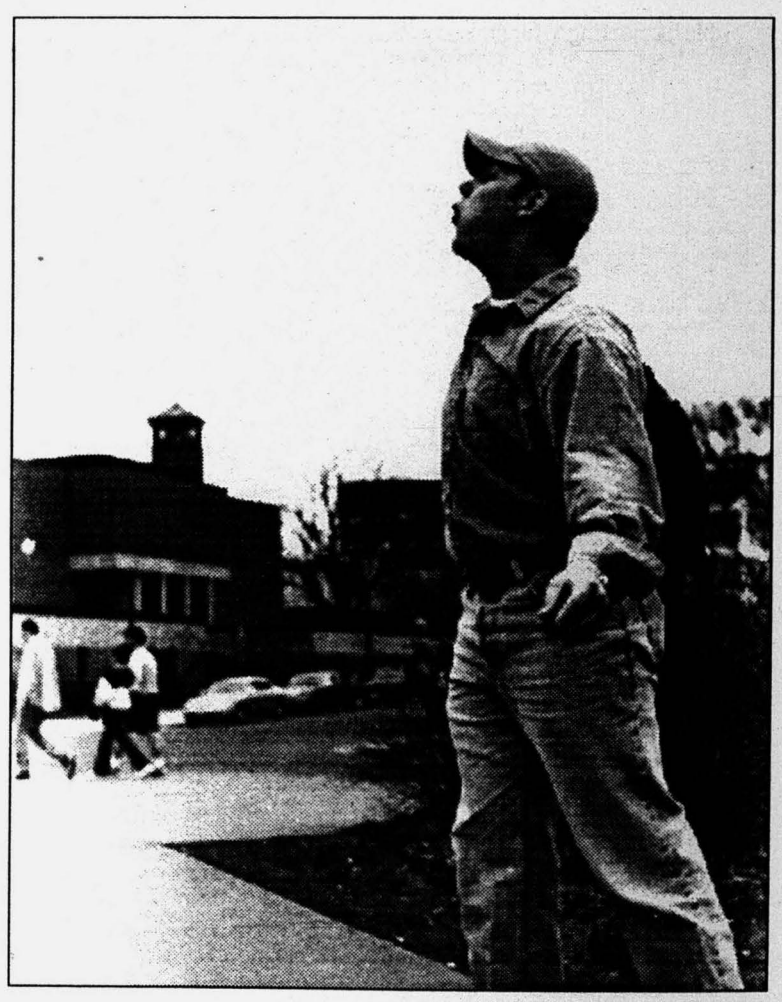


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As word spreads about the orgasmic effect spitting has on women, mass quantities of men and women have been seen clearing their throats deeply and letting that lugey fly.

Student Center wages battle on homeless, foul-odored man

by Hall(s) Mentalyptus
Staff Reporter

For a long time, a local man has made his presence overly apparent on campus. To many students he is known simply as "The Walking Man." He can be spotted, or smelled, in the television room off the Terrace or just walking down Broadway, apparently just gazing at, well, no one knows what.

"The homeless gig is not just a front," claims Ephrain Gifford, a building manager at the Student Center. Gifford recalls having to use physical force, as well as a tazer and mace, to remove "The Walking Man" from the Memorial Student Center.

"We originally tried luring him out with a trail of Reese's Pieces, like in E.T., but once we realized he wasn't an innocent extra terrestrial we had no choice but to resort to violence," said fellow building manager Spencer Spanks.

Spanks claims to have caught him in several lewd acts throughout the MSC. "One time we caught him in one of the women's bathrooms eating all the toilet paper. It was the craziest shit I've ever seen, man!"

"The Walking Man's craziness doesn't stop there; numerous times he has actually posed as a terrace cook. "He's a lot crazier than you think," stated Spanks. "He has mugged workers for their uniforms so he can cook grilled cheese sandwiches, which we believe to be his true passion in life."

Apparently he is rarely caught for this crime, due to the fact that he provides his own hairnet.

"That hairnet fits so well, it really throws you, and those grilled cheese sandwiches are damn good eats!" claims Abdul Sharil Alahambra, a Terrace employee.

If this local wanderer causes so many problems, how does he continuously get away with his antics? Alahambra offered this simple explanation: "Most people in the Terrace don't give a shit."

Party-goers become chronic kegstanding addicts

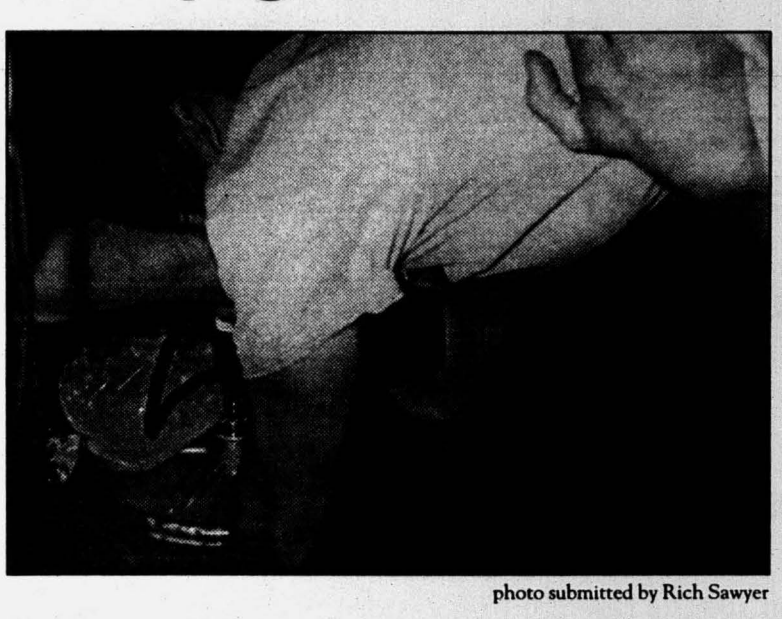


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The famous art of kegstanding is portrayed above. After being dropped on his head several times, this keg-stander could only say, "Beer, beer, beer!"

by Joseph Flour
Staff Reporter

Situation: a typical Stout freshman is at a party early in the year, trying to check out the girls and not make too big a fool of himself. All of a sudden some drunk sophomore comes up and slaps 'em on the back saying, "All right rookie, it's your turn!" Suddenly this person is hoisted in the air by their feet, the tapper is shoved in their mouth, beer starts rushing down their throat, and everyone around starts yelling out "1,2,3,4!"

Stout, it seems that keg standing is more than a tradition among students, it's an addiction.

This person has just completed their first keg stand. Better than losing your virginity? No, but it probably lasted longer. One thing about keg standing is it's a lot easier to find someone to hold your legs in the air and chant out numbers than it is to find someone to have sex with. Also, after a keg stand there's no surprises the next day, except maybe a few trips to the bathroom and a bad hangover.

Eventually, as the year progresses, students find themselves going to parties and doing two or three keg stands a night. At first their friends think it's cool and funny. They might nickname this person keg standin' Kenny, or if a girl, the keg standing queen. But then after a while it gets old with your friends and it's not funny or cool anymore. All of a sudden the person is the "keg stand queer." Soon they find themselves alone in the dorm hanging upside down from their loft kit, trying to synchronize drinks of warm Busch light with the Count on Sesame Street.

The problem is this person is addicted to keg stands. Fortunately, there is hope. An organization on campus called the K.S.A., Keg Standers Anonymous, has trained counselors that can help people through the problems of not only always wanting to drink beer, but also being unable to enjoy it unless they're upside down.

Doctor Steve Busch of the Anhueiser clinic in Milwaukee, Wisconsin suggested some therapy to help people through this addiction: Start off by drinking beer alone in a room while standing with no background noise. Next, patients should work their way up to drinking while standing or sitting in a room with people around and music on. After a patient has accomplished this step and can do it without shaking uncontrollably, they are ready to attend a party where barrels are present. "Make sure a friend is close to get beer and do not go within 10 feet of a keg for the first few weeks, in order to keep temptation to a minimum," Dr. Busch advises.

A person with any of the symptoms in this article should contact K.S.A. at 1-800-beer-from-a-cup. A free catalog of products is available to deter keg standing, such as weighted shoes to keep feet on the ground and a specially made mouthpiece that allows drinking beer from a cup, not a tap.

Floral arranger is Stout grad.

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it was nurtured," says Benjamin Pratt. Emperor Pratt, as he is known to his pupils, is the leader of the Stout I.D. program. Pratt himself has been known to dabble in the flower arts, and believes that Johnson will do justice to the I.D. program. "Many of my subjects have gone on to have successful careers in the floral industry. We've got two staff designers at F.T.D!" says Pratt with a wink. "The industry has always been there but the demand of late has been overwhelming."

As a designer at Lakeview Floral, Johnson will be in touch with the heart of the community. He will be responsible for catering to funerals as well as weddings. "I just love seeing people cry," he says. Every year around Christmas, Jason will be responsible for coming up with new corsages for the prom season.

The interview process for the position was quite different from the situations that are often required by design firms and corporations, "They didn't even want to see my portfolio!" Even with all of Jason's enthusiasm and confidence in his chosen career path, he has taken some flak from his peers in the other design concentrations who often refer to him behind his back as "Pansy" or "Buttercup".

"Those jerks in Pod 4 are always snickering when I come into the computer lab, and I wish that they'd all just go to hell," he said.

Jason strongly encourages students in the other design concentrations to consider the floral design field as a serious alternative to their chosen design path and still believes that he can change people's opinions about floral design. "I'll show 'em."

Look for future installments in the Graduate series in following issues. Upcoming Titles: Construction Majors- "Pounding Nails Is Harder Than It Looks," and Packaging Majors- "I Likes To Make Boxes."

Dress code/trend returns

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of the 80s, more than just clothing will be changed. Instead of the current high-tech stereo systems and CD players, students will be required to use the once-popular boomboxes. Cassette tapes featuring artists such as Tiffany, Debbie Gibson, and the Jets will be sold at the book store and by local merchants.

Since most student cars are from the 1980s, that detail should not be a problem in making Menomonie an authentic 80s town. However, inline skates will be replaced with roller-skates that have pom-poms tied to the laces. All bikes will be have their current seats replaced with banana seats and will be outfitted with a plastic basket and horn.

News Briefs

Compiled by Scrappy Doo

Shampoo declared better

A recent survey released by the Department of Public Health and Safety (DPHS) has officially declared shampoo better than conditioner. DPHS concluded that because shampoo goes on the hair first and cleans, it is superior. Several hair care companies have expressed an interest in the study's results. Executives with Pert Plus are concerned at the possible implications this may have.

Governor Ventura reveals true self

The National Intruder has recently published some very unbecoming photos of Minnesota Governor Jesse Ventura. The photos reveal the former-wrestler donning women's clothes and prancing around the governor's mansion. "Apparently Ventura likes to wear women's panties, thigh highs, and high heels. I'm not saying that it's wrong. In fact more power to ya!" the unidentified photographer said. Unconfirmed reports also have placed wrestler and self-proclaimed candidate for president Hulk Hogan at the scene. It would appear the two share a common love for pink feather boas and fake eyelashes.

Calvin Klein releases new spring collection

Fashion designer Calvin Klein is expected to unveil his new collection based on Monica Lewinsky's wardrobe. "I wanted to design my collection on real-life people. You know, so real people can actually wear my clothes without getting strange looks from bystanders," said Klein. Some of the predominant colors expected to appear include black, brown, and navy blue. "Navy blue will be used quite heavily this time around." The line will feature mainly dresses and skirts with the ever-popular "white spot" on the front. "I went with the spots because it was different. One or two strategically placed stains can be very effective in pulling an outfit together," Klein commented.

Arousal by spit

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little pools of saliva you see on the sidewalks? They're killer." Hick stereotypes aside, Connie mentioned that spitting isn't a discriminating habit. Apparently, it's not just the Wrangler jeans and cowboy boot-wearing fellas who make spittle distribution a common pastime. The homies, goths, freaks, nerds, jocks, and preps do it too. However, Connie doesn't pick favorites. Any spitter will make her twitter. "It's kind of like guys with really cute asses," she explains carefully. "It doesn't matter if he's green, blue, or pink. If he's got it going on in the back, he's got it going on in the back. That's all there is to it."

When asked if she would try to seek help to alleviate her condition, she shook her head vehemently, stating that there was no need. "It's not like I need an operation for it," she said defiantly, "But besides, I spoke to my career counselor the other day and she said that I could even write it off as a disability. I could qualify for scholarships. That's like going to school for free!"

Connie was also asked if there were any down sides to reacting the way she does to lugey-hocking. After a half a week's thought, she made a response. "It's really embarrassing sometimes, but I hope to reach others who are similarly afflicted. It's such a relief to be finally able to speak

Police Beat

Compiled by Scrappy Doo with help from little friends on the other side

Disturbing the peace

The FCC has issued a violation to the Twin Cities radio station KDWB for playing the same stupid songs all day long. FCC officials had this to say, "We understand that some people may like these songs - at first. However, we've received a lot of complaints that the same five songs are always on. No one should have to put up with their lack of intelligence." KDWB must never repeat the same song in one 24 hour period. This will have a great impact on Stout students, because the radio station is always broadcast in the Student Center, where recently a high number of suicides have occurred.

Theft

A student was recently caught stealing various things from the Student Center. The items stolen include toilet paper and paper towels. When apprehended the student claimed that he lived off campus and had run out of the essential supplies at his house. "I really had to go to the bathroom and didn't have anything to wipe with. I was desperate!" The student was issued a small fine and a police officer gave him a roll of toilet paper, warning him to never steal again.

Indecent exposure

Menomonie Police recently apprehended two students having sex near a public street. Apparently the two finished dancing at The Flame and decided to leave the local grinding spot and head home. They didn't make it that far. They stumbled down toward the Fire Department and settled on the large bell outside. "When we arrived, the girl's skirt was over her head, her panties off, and his pants were down to his ankles. That bell was really ringing. I was disturbed. If I want to see that, I'll rent a porn," said a firefighter. "We just couldn't wait until we got home. I had so much alcohol in me...I don't know," the girl said. Alcohol. Helping people have sex for over a hundred years.

University Notes

Compiled by Scrappy Doo and the Psychic Enemies Hotline

New summer courses

Recognizing the fact that some students have a hard time paying tuition, the following summer courses will be offered: Exotic Dancing 245-101, Stripping 245-201, Prostitution 245-301, and Dominatrix 245-401. They are designed to help those struggling students as well as the local community. Professors felt these classes would best fit into the Hospitality and Tourism major because, well, enough said. If enrollment is large enough, look for these classes to be offered in the fall too.

Monica Lewinsky to visit Stout

Recent intern/porn star Monica Lewinsky is scheduled to visit Stout on Friday, April 9 to demonstrate how to be an effective White House intern. She is expected to talk about all the ins and outs of the presidency and her upcoming photo shoot in Husky magazine.

FYE offers something good

There have been several unconfirmed reports that FYE (For Your Entertainment) will be bringing a big name group to campus that people will actually recognize and want to see. Advisor Starla Dixon had no comment at this time. Rumors also have insinuated that students will receive a canned good for attending.

Juniors—Seniors!

This is your ballot for selecting the

Outstanding Teacher and Outstanding Service Staff

For the 1998-1999 Academic Year

Outstanding Teacher/Service Staff Award

This is your opportunity to acknowledge and express appreciation for the outstanding experience you have had with an instructor or instructors, and with service providers in your years at UW-Stout.

Step 1: In the spaces below, please name an instructor or instructors and service personnel you feel have been particularly helpful, powerful influences, or important to you in a personally or professionally meaningful way. There is also a space for you to write the way in which these persons were helpful, influential, or meaningful to you.

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These results will be used to name the Outstanding Teacher, the Outstanding Service Staff member, and the Outstanding Educator of this year. In addition, the top recipients of votes in each of the three colleges, in Student Services, and in Student Life will be identified and will receive a letter acknowledging their votes and the comments accompanying their votes.

Thanks for your assistance in identifying our Outstanding Performers.

Pinckney Hall
Dean of Students

Outstanding Instructional Staff

Name	How they were outstanding

Outstanding Service Personnel

Name	How they were outstanding

Your Name _____ **Class** _____

(Needed to verify your class status if you do not check in at the SSA balloting site)

(Junior or Senior)

Eat a bloody corpse...on Tyson



by Love Poshion
Guest Columnist

Hi, I'm Love, the happy hippie. I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Tyson Foods on their brave new "Truth in Advertising" campaign.

They have finally done away with their ridiculously happy-looking plump logo and replaced it with a more fitting photo of slaughtered chickens. In the words of PETA, "F**** the Man! It's due time we have justice for all animals. I say, let them eat grass!"

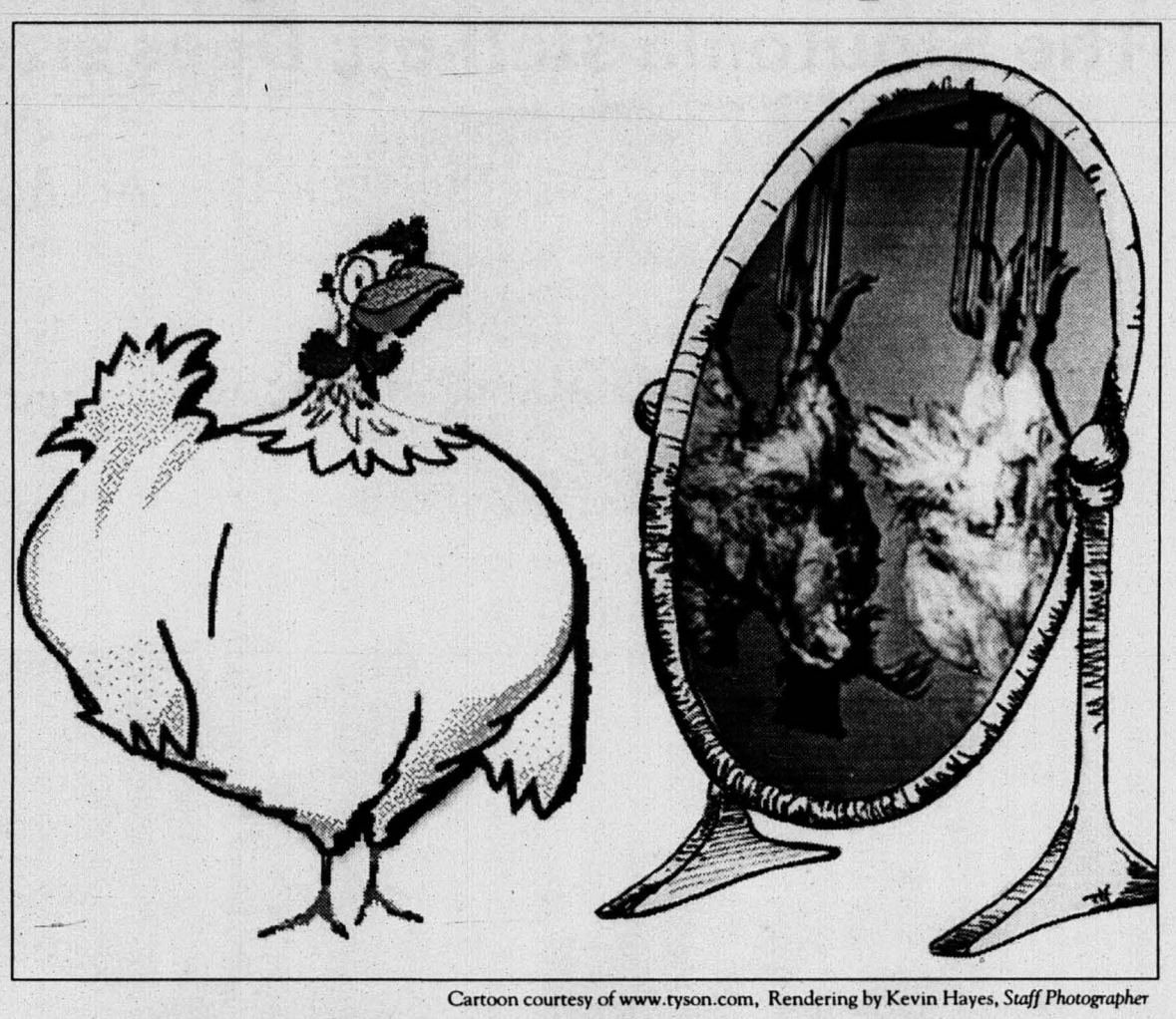
Through hysterics and a little left-wing hysteria, this Janes-people follower does have a point: WHY DO WE WALK INTO EATERIES AFTER SEEING THE HAPPY GO LUCKY CARDBOARD CHICKEN SAYING 'EAT ME INSIDE'? We all know that chicken isn't happy.

So I encourage Butterball, Jennie-O, Hormel, Gold'n Plump, and the rest to follow stride. Gold'n Plump, for instance, could use a nice photo of the "debeaking" process at slaughterhouses in place of their condescending fat-n-smiley campaign. Americans will thank them for not lying anymore; we are adults and can deal with the fact that our meat cravings have created jobs like "poultry deboweler." People can actually say "I rip the assholes out of chickens for a living." Hmm.

For those squeamish ones who have the urge to stop reading down, SUCK IT UP. It ain't a field of daisies, that's for sure. Anyone who can't handle the thought of this should not be eating the damn animal!

And all you hunters, don't always be so sure of your position on the food chain.

That's all I have to say, now pass that bong down the row goddamnit!



Cartoon courtesy of www.tyson.com, Rendering by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Through the myriad of stupid TV commericals and ad campaigns featuring talking animals, smiley and plump birds, poultry trying to get fit for eats, and cartoon-laden food wrapping, Tyson Foods has finally arrived at the truth.

The Americans, they seem to have it all screwy



by Mohammed M. Mohammed
Guest Columnist

My name is Mohammed Mohammed-Ali Mohammed and I am very proud of this. You nearsighted Americans may scoff at the name, but I am here to educate you on the merits of what I call the All-Mohammed System.

In Saudi Arabia, our beloved Mohammed is so important to us that we have chosen to give the name "Mohammed" to all those born between the years 1215 and present. Why? Holy Mohammed, why not, I ask! For instance, we save millions each year by not printing phone books. What would be the point?

Also, countless anguish is avoided over the question,"So what should we name the little sbitzvah?" (Females may pose a problem, but parents, you are obviously not praying to Mohammed enough if you're popping out the devil beings!) But women, they are fortunate, for they need not worry about confusion in bed. Why, by yelling "Mohammed," they're always sure to win! And do not think we are not in the 90s, for we have recently accepted women hyphenating their name after marriage. A simple Mohammed-Mohammed solves the issue!

Most importantly, the All-Mohammed System fosters unity. Conversations are begun everywhere with "Oh, your name is Mohammed too?" And we can get the attention of large groups with a simple yell of "Mohammed!" down the street. Teachers have raved about the System as well. One must only yell the name in a crowded classroom and all the rugrats simultaneously stop whatever naughty things they were doing!

Your land and its people confuse me so. Everyone has to be named "creatively". Sickening. Names like Leaf, Destiny, Wyatt, Somer, Trista- they're just silly! What do they mean anyway? Hippie love is probably all. Do you people stand for anything? Don't you think of your leaders while copulating?

The All-Mohammed System would work splendidly in your country. You're almost there with "Johnson" and "Anderson", so why not convert to an All-Jesus System or something? (Of course, my bias is toward Mohammed, but I'll let this one go.) Trust me little ones, everything will become so much easier. Think about it.

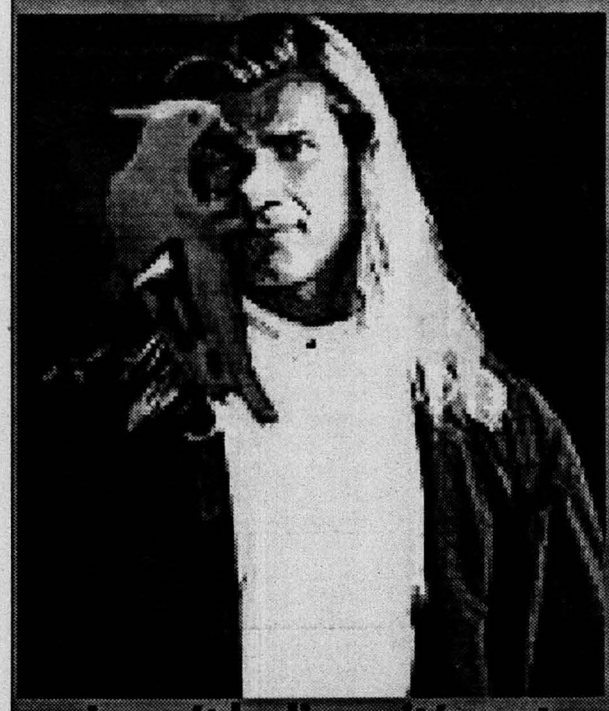
Next week: Why haven't you killed your American whores yet?!

..second annual spring break photo contest..

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRIES FROM SPRING BREAK FOR THE STOUTONIA PHOTO CONTEST. WINNERS WILL APPEAR IN THE APRIL EIGHTH ISSUE AND RECEIVE A PRIZE. DUE BY THE SIXTH OF APRIL. NO BEER PYRAMIDS, CHEESY SHOTS, OR TASTELESS IMAGES WILL BE CHOSEN.

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Watch out for this known bird killer-
Join our Anti-Fabio Society today!



I can't believe it's not butter? We can't believe the accent isn't better!

Armed with a schnoz like the Sear's Tower, this butter-lovin' bastard has taken down one of Florida's beautiful birds. What is being touted as a freak accident at the majestic Busch Gardens is really a mega-model's sick conspiracy. We have reason to believe this pretty boy is anything but Italian (yet the nose confuses us). He is actually Canadian-born and sick of the tyrannical animal rights laws of his land. Well, you're not getting retribution here buddy. We deport.

You decide:

Fabio was at the Busch Gardens theme park Tuesday to help show off the Apollo's Chariot roller coaster. Early into the ride, however, a bird slammed into Fabio's face, cutting his nose and sending blood streaking down his chin and cheeks. Several women sitting near him portraying goddesses were splattered with bloood. Fabio was treated for a one-inch cut onthe bridge of his nose and released from a hospital. "He's fine, no serious injuries," park spokeswoman Deborah DeMarco said. "I don't know about the bird's plight.

—actual Associated Press release, March 31

Campus Slant

The Stoutonia staff on: Does size really matter?



"The Grinch had a heart three sizes too small and he tried to steal Christmas."

Shannon Hasse
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"The Smurfs didn't think so."

Nicole Heckmann
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"We prefer bratwursts, but we'll settle for cocktail weiners."

Sarah Gudmanson
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"S is for Shriveled
H is for Half-pint
R is for 'a good Rogering, ol' chap!'
I is for Inflammzation
M is for iMpotent
P is for Penile implant."

Corey Klein
Entertainment Editor
Amy Schneider
Sports Editor



"Let me just say I always supersize it."

Quincy Chapman
Advisor

Next Week's Question: "What's the best excuse to get out of the dorms?"

Campus Slant is compiled by Kevin Hayes. If you have ideas for Campus Slant, e-mail them to: stoutonia@post.uwstout.edu

Millenium madness leads to painful shots

Trayn Spoting was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is returning to England shortly. We don't do enough drugs here.

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Trayn Spoting
Columnist

Everybody has to be vaccinated against diseases, and many of us have brief recollections of mildly terrifying ordeals in the doctor's surgery room as children, but with the government's new plan to immunize all university students against the millennium bug, are we really taking things too far?

You have probably seen the brief government information programs on NBC or CNN, or perhaps you have glimpsed across the full-page communicative in the Dunn County News.

The Clinton administration is panicking, with little over six months to vaccinate countless millions against an epidemic that threatens to be as destructive as the great plague.

Temporary clinics are being set up in earnest in most of the larger cities and outlying towns. Menomonie's clinic is already well underway with preparations for the expected influx of eager patients.

The clinic is located on the south bank of lake Menomin in a garishly orange painted hut type building, crewed by an eager but inexperienced staff generously volunteered by the Dairy Queen fast food chain.

"With so many patients to vaccinate in such a short space of time, we have to treat the proceedings very much like a fast food operation," says Dunn County Health Executive Bud Oldfellow. "So we have decided to give our staff no specialized training whatsoever."

Because of the particularly virulent nature of the Bug, leading physicians from government health agencies have strongly suggested that the vaccine is administered to male patients via their peritoneum, and female patients, via their left eyeball, to maximize the chances that the vaccine will take hold in the patients' immune system before the dreaded Y2K.

Many people have voiced strong concerns and disapproval of the government's slapdash and belated treatment of something that many regard as a serious threat to the nation's health. Government officials have been verbally abused and near assaulted in Washington streets.

In Menomonie a yet unidentified perpetrator set loose an aquarium full of rare Brazilian Melodium bugs in the back seat of the mayor's Volkswagen.

Why doesn't the government just take a hint and abandon these unfair and unpopular measures before its lack of control of the situation is brought to a trembling climax in a wave of civil disobedience?

It's about time that some of those politicians asked what the ordinary American people really want : Many have told me that they wouldn't mind so much if their irritable toaster oven or VCR spontaneously combusted, or if somebody else's million dollars was accidentally transferred to their checking account once the year 2000 rolls around.

Students choose the streets over creeps

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Reporter

In the once vacant streets of Menomonie, boxes are starting to accumulate as UW-Stout students are making these boxes their homes.

Due to a current tenant/landlord situation, more accurately that the landlords are screwing students over and students want to kick their asses, streets are being chosen over creeps.

Werken Itout, Directer of tenant/Landlord Relations, predicts the streets are only going to get more crowded and overpopulated as the idea gains popularity and really takes wing. "Think about it; no rent to pay, no bills...sure the heating sucks but if you're smart, you can use the gutters for plumbing."

Growing popularity is especially evident to Walmart, Sears and other Menomonie businesses that deal with large quantities of big boxes. Hallen E. Quipmen, who hauls equipment at Walmart, said, "We used to have to break down hundreds of boxes at night...now students are lined up at all hours just to get one."

And lined up they are. Students have been known to wait hours just for one box. Stout student, Justin Waiting said, "I feel like I'm in line for tickets to a Phish concert. I have been camped out here for two days. Sometimes, I just want to give up, then I think of the landlord I would have to deal with if I did."

Current police reports have also supported this new fad. There has been a significant increase in town burglaries these last two months. The only items that were reported stolen were cardboard boxes.

Touring the boxes that have already become homes sheds a ray of light onto the new lives these students have made for themselves. No more messy rooms or smelly laundry. When a person has limited space to live, they really have to learn to be excellent organizers. Beer cans, full or empty, have been eliminated. Students have learned to drink all the alcohol in one night and send the empties down the gutter stream.

For those students who want a box but do not have the time to wait at Walmart for two days to get one, Cactus Corrugated Containers Inc., a new online company, will specialize one for them.

Students can now order customized boxes which will be delivered to their doorstep if they still have an address. This company offers a variety of different box types. Instant cardboard box quotes are also available. Students give their dimensions and the company delivers the box. If interested, check out www.cactuscontainers.com.

Rumor has it that some realtors are now trying to get a charter for a new business in town: box rental. Students have already started to riot on the streets (conveniently). If this passes, realtors will have opened yet another "box" of worms.

Life in the box

Pros	Cons
1.yard cleanup is free–streetsweepers!	1. when crack whores come around–can't stop them from coming in
2. don't like your neighbor? Just kick his box	2. every time it rains, need a new box
3. won't be pestered by those fucken girl scouts	3. can't ever live by an Adopt-A-Highway sign
4. fast way out of the country– flip the box and head out	4. can't have pizza delivered
5. rent can be used for cocaine instead	5. cars do drive down streets once in a while
6. no one will ever steal from you	6. did I mention the crack whores?
7. set a cup outside and people will throw out their change	7. cops won't need a warrant when you're busted for coke

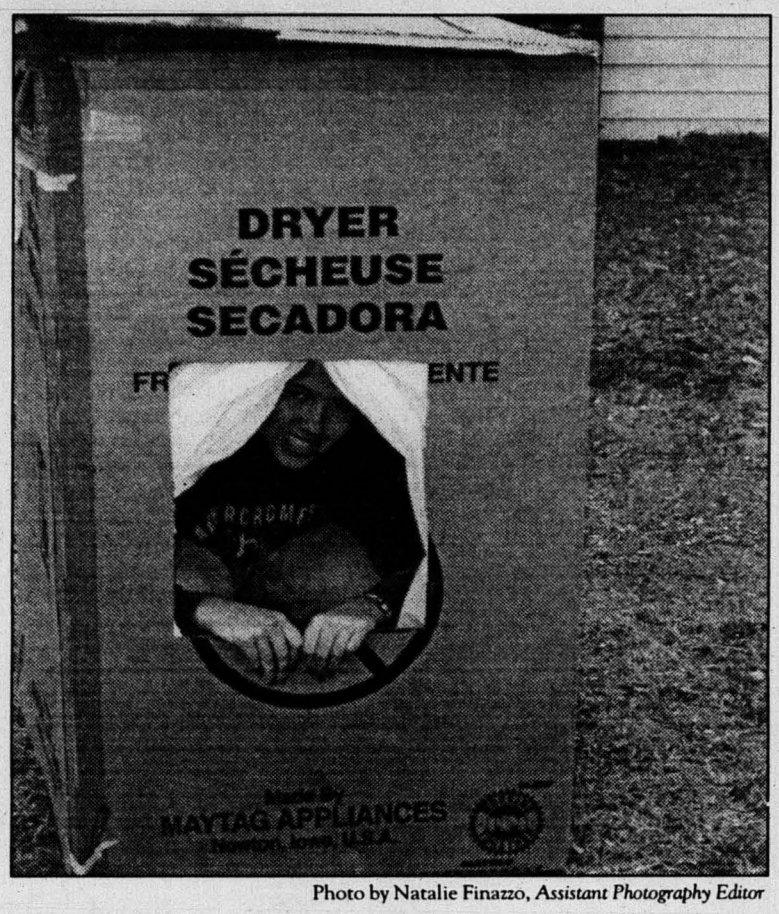


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Assistant Photography Editor*

Despite the extreme spacelessness of their new homes, student's claim to be more happy living on the streets than dealing with a landlord.

Student gets first haircut ever



Courtesy of www.addamsfamily.com

Top: Icant Seshit is shown with the weight of his hair before he gained the courage to get the cut. Bottom: It is evident in his facial expression that Seshit is much happier with his appearance without all the added stress of long hair.

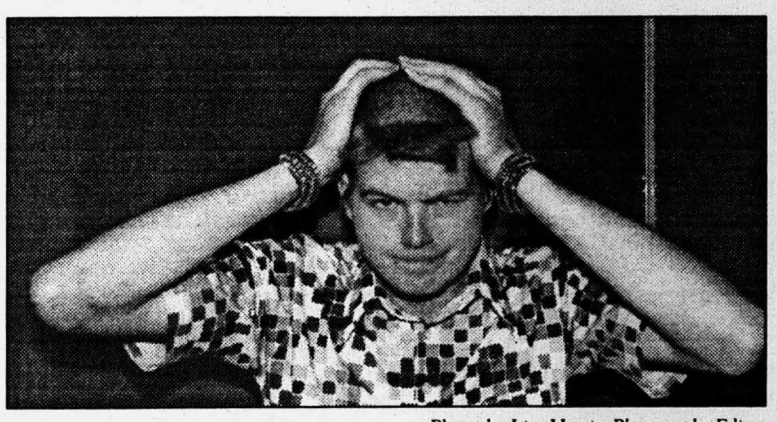


Photo by Lisa Harris, *Photography Editor*

by Flippa Rerdo
Staff Reporter

Who the hell could fathom the thought of never cutting their hair in their life time? Well, for a UW-Stout student this is reality. This nineteen- year- old freshman has never had a full- fledged haircut. Aside from an occasional trim, the scissors stay clear from this man.

Icant Seshit, an Industrial Design major, has a rare phobia called nohairpothermia.

Recently the phobia was discovered by Dr. Komsko Lustrin from Australia. Dr. Lustrin is a young man in his late twenties who works as a behavioral psychologist in the world-renowned Semington Hospital for disorders.

Dr. Lustrin discovered this phobia while working with a client who has never cut her hair. She attempted to attack him with scissors during a therapy session. The doctor was puzzled with her resistance to get her hair cut. When they discussed what the procedure is during a haircut appointment, the client apparently jumped across the room, grabbed the scissors on the desk and charged towards the doctor. After studying this phobia further, Dr. Lustrin realized people are afraid to cut their hair in fear of freezing to death.

For Icant Seshit, the fear existed in him as well. He had been reluctant to cut his hair for nineteen years in fear of freezing. In fact, when he gets his hair trimmed the process takes several hours.

It is said by Dr. Lustrin that, "Persons with this phobia are also terrified of scissors. This increases their anxiety level to an unhealthy state which causes them to act out in rage."

Icant Seshit knows this feeling all too well. He had to relax for one hour before getting his hair trimmed a half inch. When the cutting actually took place he had to wear headphones to calm his nerves and distract his vision and hearing.

Usually wearing his hair hanging down his face, Icant Seshit admits the weight of the hair became annoying and he had a difficult time maneuvering. "I was much more frightened of freezing so I just endured the weight and excess baggage," he said.

So how did he get around? Icant Seshit continues to explain most of his daily tasks were not a struggle. Yet, when he wanted to do things that involve intense physical activity, he would trip and fall. He also explained that it was difficult with his long hair to be intimate with women; he found that most women would ignore him or laugh at his appearance.

One month ago he became fed up with his hair and decided to cut it off. He was getting lonely and tired of not being able to run or play sports with friends. "This was not an easy decision," he said. Hours of therapy had to be completed just to be able to bring a scissors in view. Through sessions, they worked towards the goal of cutting it all off. He felt it was imperative for him to have a normal life. "I can see life more clearly now," Seshit said.

Rumor has it that the women are much more responsive to Seshit's new appearance.

Ugly green rug stolen from Student's house

by Shannon Webster
Staff Reporter

Amidst the chaos of students scrambling to exit campus Friday afternoon spring break started, a strange heist occurred. At approximately 5:30 p.m. someone snuck into a house on the 600 block of 13th Ave., rolled up a big, ugly green kitchen rug and dashed out into an idling maroon getaway car.

Eyewitnesses spotted this car fleeing the scene of the crime. It is unknown if there were any accomplices in this heinous theft, but a former roommate of the house is suspected and wanted for questioning.

Kelly Price, who lives at the crime scene, said, "You always think this kind of thing is going to happen to someone else, and then it happens to you. Just when you think you won't hear from someone anymore...but maybe it's for the better. At our pre-spring break party Shorty had too much Busch Light and left that rug a mess. We couldn't fit it in the washer, yuck."

The other residents were not so happy. "What, did she think it was a magic rug and that she was going to get to Mazatlan real cheap? I helped pay for that thing and I'm thinking citizen's arrest," said Sara McCracken.

McCracken consulted with a private attorney who decided not to take the case because, "It would tie up the legal system." The police have advised students to be on the lookout for a female suspect, and others of her kind. It is assumed that they are hiding somewhere in Menomonie, probably under a big, ugly green rug having a beer with other members of Shitty Roommates Anonymous.



Drinking proven to heighten self appearance

by Bruce Banner
Staff Reporter

Throw away the Abs of Steel video. Stop the Stairmaster. Forget exercise and diet pills. No need to read the nutrition facts any more. A recent study reports all inhibitions about personal appearance can be resolved by simply turning to our good friend alcohol.

Dr. Norman Rockview, of Chugalug University, has recently published an article citing his findings. He utilized nearly 100 random college students in his shocking study, only to end up with the same conclusion many students have known for years: collegiate binge drinking kicks ass.

Despite the numerous claims previously made by scientists that drinking alcohol is detrimental to a student's health, the advantages were found to far outweigh the negatives. It was proven that alcohol not only eliminates a typical student's self-consciousness, it improves the appearance of others as well. Many students in Dr. Rockview's study used this effect to their advantage, as was shown by their nearly 80 percent "hook-up" ratio.

According to this study, the necessary alcohol intake ranges from six to 20 drinks to alter consciousness to a "social" level. Upon reaching the required Blood Alcohol Level (preferably .20 or greater), the inebriated person is able to perform previously impossible tasks, such as dancing. Other skills attained by reaching this plateau of intoxication include lack of memory, increased phone number exchanges, and compulsive vomiting.

In a concurrent study, low-light conditions and excessively loud music are shown to improve the possibility of meeting that elusive "Mr./Miss right." To promote these findings, local bars and party houses are offering "bar makeovers" at no additional cost to paying customers. No longer must students spend hours trying to look attractive to the opposite sex when this service is available at the door of any watering hole.

The same study also went to show that the best way to avert warnings about such potential issues like alcoholism, drug abuse and alcohol poisoning is to ignore them until a later date. Most students use the popular phrase, "I'm in college," or "I'm not as bad as any of my friends," to diffuse these concerns.

Even though alcohol was noted as not being the only way to meet people, it was shown to have the highest incidence of mysterious, unknown people waking up in unfamiliar beds with partners having such names as Dragon or Bertha. It was reported that the majority of these awkward scenarios are quickly over and should not cause undo concern for either party.

While this study was conducted primarily out of the classroom, it was also shown that a few drinks before or during class make boring lectures just fly by. Note-taking abilities were far improved, with more impressive doodles. Sleeping in class was found to be far easier and much more comfortable as well. Stout student Matt Call said, "I can't imagine going to class sober."

This study concluded with the recommendation that college students should drink alcohol as heavily as possible for the duration of their college career. It was found this is the best way possible to create countless photo opportunities, mismatched relationships and, above all, prolong the college experience well into a student's mid to late thirties.



Photo taken from Stoutonia archieves, Photo rendering by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

According to recent studies, drinking increases self perception. It is evident that this guy must drink a lot by his appearance. He obviously thinks he's the shit. The next study should include how to deflate the ego after large amounts of alcohol are consumed.

...Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Cliff has some s@#$ to say. (Who's Cliff?)

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

Yo. This is Cliff. I have a riff with all this "Chloe" bullshit. I'm here because I want to say Chloe sucks. Who reads her column anyway? Losers - yeah.

I am especially pissed because she rips on men all the time. The nerve of the girl. Like the column when she said, and I quote, "Can I just say that certain guys should not be allowed any amount of alcohol... Is there some enormous shift in the hormonal balance when a beer is ingested into the body? I will never understand the male concept of making the other guy bleed." What the hell's this all about? And like she really got into the middle of a bar fight that one time. Is this girl for real? I mean, if there's a fight going on, get out of the way!

I think I can speak for all guys when I say we like to fight. We like to kick the shit out of any loser who cocks off. It's not the alcohol... it's testosterone. What would a stupid girl know anything about what it feels like to have that shit pump through you? So learn to deal with it and back the @#$# up.

I know it is April Fool's Day, and I think in honor of this holiday we should all form an alliance and grab this loud-mouthed girl and shove her face in the toilet. That will teach her for talking out of her ass.

I have to admit, it is more than the whole rip-on-men thing. It's the fact that every week something dramatic happens to her. Who lives like that? I think she makes it all up. I mean one week heart surgery and the next a bar fight?

It gets worse. I looked her name up in the directory-there is no student at Stout that goes by the name Chloe Hopkins. Someone that works at the Stoutonia is living under a fake name. Can you even do that legally?

Oh man, I just had a scary thought. All of this time, there is a girl that walks among us, acting like a normal human being. There is a Chloe out there that probably crosses one of our paths to class each day in the morning and dances besides us at the bars at night. Casually, she entwines her life with ours. Do you know what this means? This girl is putting our lives in danger just by coming out of her house. Do you want to be within dancing distance of a walking disaster who could put a hex on you just by breathing? The way her luck is, the whole bar could be bombed while she was innocently sipping her gin and tonic. What if we have talked to her or told her our name? Could she cause us extreme embarrassment along with her just by knowing our names? Hey, it could happen.



I think it is time to take this matter into our own hands. We need to take our girl problem a little more seriously. First, we need to ban her column. The hell with freedom of speech. This girl is warping our minds with her deliriousness. She's like this killer bee that sneaks inside of our homes and stings our children.

This is the beginning of the end of our country as we know it. If we let this slide by, soon people will be dancing naked in the streets with "Chloe is number one" tattooed on their chests. The American flag will lose its stars to adorn her face. Our children will wear t-shirts that say, "Girls rule," and our grandparents will lose hope for the next generation. She's an epidemic that is spreading across the county.

Did you know every week the Stoutonia is online? This means Chloe is available to read from any computer with access. Millions of minds are lost as they read her delusions. She is getting to every single one of us...ahhhhhhhhh!

Chloe: I don't know who this guy is, but he has been stalking me for weeks. Last week he was slithering outside of my house in black with a flashlight. The week before he was drawing my name in hearts across campus. Now he's talking shit? And he wonders why I say I will never understand men. That's because you're psycho!

For one, these things really DO happen to me, sad as that is to admit. The reason for me taking on a pen name is so I can walk in daylight without people pointing at me and laughing. Think about it, would you want to admit to this kind of life?

Secondly, I walk by hundreds of people a day who survive my appearance and then go on leading a normal life. I am not a threat. Yes, you have probably danced next to me at the bars. Wash your hands if you're that scared. I would be more scared that you probably danced next to him at the bars as well. No offense, but he is the one that is stalking me, not vise versa.

So, if you really want to join his raid in banning my columns you better find a nice comfortable cell alongside him in jail because that's where he's going to end up.

Sorry, my life may be pretty messed up at times and I may bite off a little more that I can chew, but I draw the line at being criticized. The stalking is one thing, but this is going too far. Crazy I may be, but victim I am not. Buddy, you are going down!

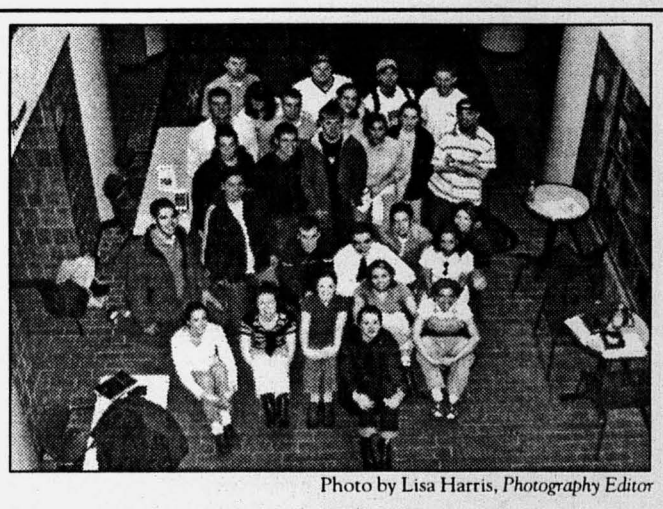


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Detective Beth Winge
Case Number: 009
Full Name: The Stoutonia a.k.a. sworn lovers of N.K.O.T.B.

Under investigation for: Evidence supports prior accusations of hosting a revival of N.K.O.T.B. fanaticism after the recent release of albums by boy wonders Jordan Knight and Joey McIntire. Local businesses which actually still sell their albums have claimed they never have any CDs in stock. This would suggest the Stoutonia buying stores out to play this music to each other. That is just sick. We only hope they don't plead insanity.

Common Misconception: These people are normal. This is NOT true. (Clue number one is their taste in music.) In fact, certain members have admitted to a "Hanging Tough" t-shirt hanging in their closets.

Current reports have suggested: Late Wednesday nights, when they think they are all alone, PI's have heard talk of joining the band's tour and becoming groupies. Plans fell short when one member pointed out to the rest that N.K.O.T.B. are no longer together.

Suspicious behavior: The words "You've got the right stuff, baby" have been reported to be used as a pick-up line as these members try to hit on the opposite sex. "Hanging Tough" was also used in a very inappropriate fashion.

Future investigations concerning: It has been rumored that this clan is going to bring the band back. The riots they participate in screaming, "N.K.O.T.B. forever. We will not stop until you play our song!" support this rumor. God help us all if they succeed.

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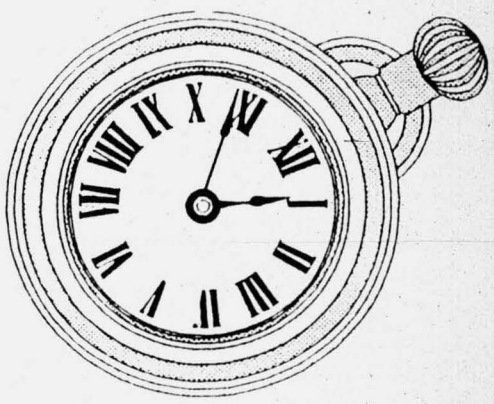
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Chimp bartender finds niche at partyhouse

by Miguel Sanchez
Staff Waterboy

"It was one of the coolest things I've seen at a party," said Dailey Richardson, UW-Stout sophomore. "I had just arrived at the party, asked for my 'beverage' and in swings this chimpanzee to take my money. Man, what a cool place!"

Richardson is not the only one amazed, as countless numbers of underclassmen have also been awed at the local partyhouse's newest attraction.

Standing a mere three-foot-eleven, weighing in at 80 pounds is "Chee-Chee," Menomonie's first African Chimpanzee to play host to a houseparty.

"I guess when Mikey (Steinberg) moved out, we were in desperate need for a roommate," remembers John "Parkesy" Parkes, "but a few days later, after a five barrel party, I woke up to find 'Cheech' still napping on the couch."

Scott "SA" Esser also remembers the day Chee-Chee came to stay with them. "We all kinda stood around him for awhile, ya know, really amazed. I mean, I didn't see anyone come in with him the night before. We didn't know if we were supposed to call the authorities or what exactly to do. Is there a Dunn County Monkey Board? What were we gonna say anyway? 'Hey, someone left a monkey at our party, can ya come pick him up or something?'"

Cheech fit right in from the start, amazingly waking up in the early afternoon to help with the post-party clean up.

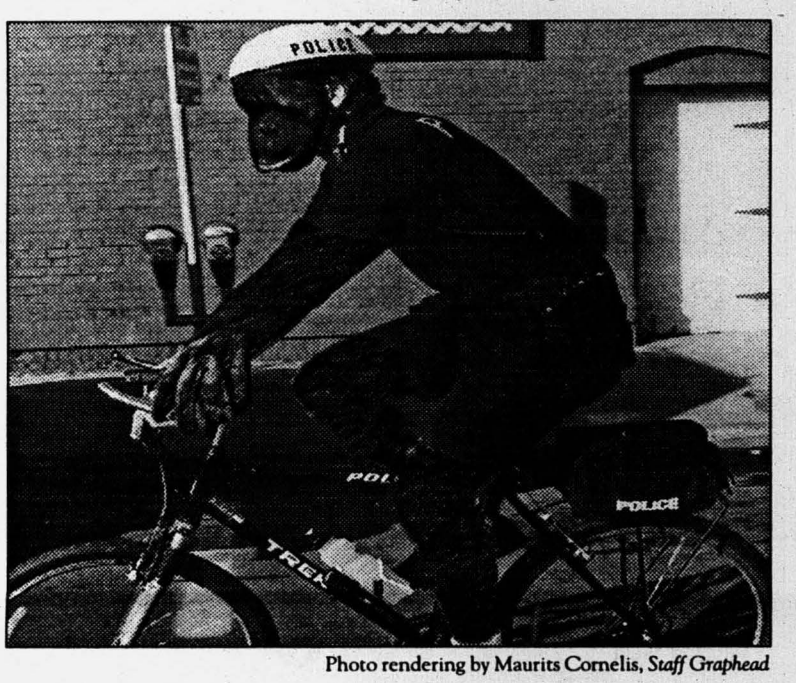


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Look out pedestrians! Chee-Chee is on the prowl. Menomonie's newest recruit stands under four feet, and is on the hunt for criminals on his trusty ten speed.

"He's really great around the house," stated "Skinny Benny" Tomandl. "He'll hang from his tail on the cupboard, wash dishes with his feet and pass them up to his hands to dry them. I mean, Steinberg could never do that."

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> Scott "SA" Esser
> *UW-Stout Student*

After seeing the advantages of having a chimpanzee around the house, the roommates voted unanimously to keep him. They never looked back, as Cheech is, according to one starry-eyed freshman, "the best bartender on campus."

Roommate Rob "Bubbles" Busse would have to agree with the diagnosis. "What Cheech will do," he said in an candid interview," is sit on top of a keg, pump the tapper with his three-foot tail, and fill four cups, two in his hands and two in his feet. I'd like to see any bartender at OB do that!"

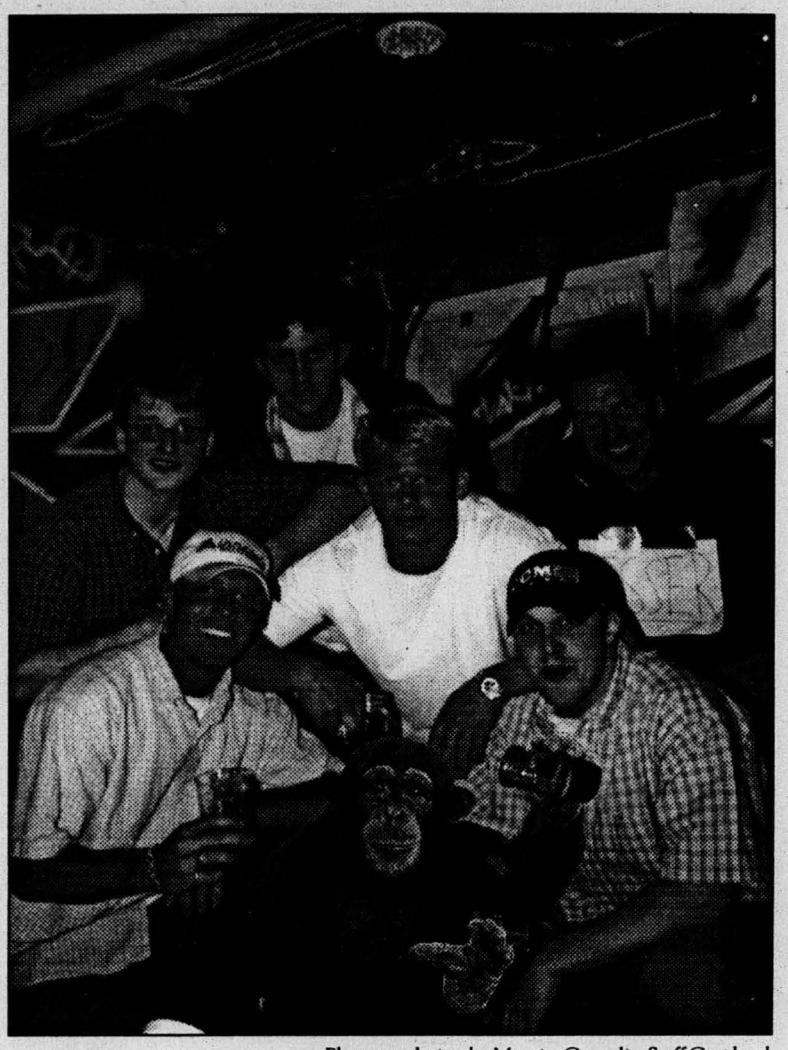


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Hey, pass the beernuts! The housemates of Scooby-Doo's Doghouse include (clockwise from Cheech) Chee-Chee, Kruegs, Skinny Benny, Parkesy, SA, Mars, and Bubbles in the center.

Indeed, everyone has been amazed at Chee-Chee's abilities. And not that they all stem from the hospitality type.

Mike "Kruegs" Krueger recalled an incident last weekend. "Apparently this kid had been egging Cheech on for some time, according to a couple people."

"The next thing I saw was the guy, I think he said his name was Joe...John...Jason, whatever, and Cheech square off in a shot contest, Cheech behind the bar and Joe out in front of him. After 15 shots, the kid kinda wobbles back and forth and takes a digger. The music stopped and everyone stood staring at the kid. Cheech, the victor, climbed on the bar, jumping up and down screaming and laughing at Joe on the floor. Everyone else took note, joining in the laughing and carrying the contest victor on their shoulders. Can't see a monkey in a shot contest at any other party house!" Krueger said confidently.

One of the initial problems housemates encountered with the new roomy was how they could get the recruit to cover house expenses. It took a week to solve that problem. Brad "Mars" Marlowe was eyeing the 'For Sale' board across from the student bookstore. There, before him, he saw an ad for Chee-Chee's new job.

"I ran home, grabbed him by the arm, and led him to his interview," Marlowe remembers. "By that night, he had his outfit and was ready for his new position, as street cop for Menomonie Police."

"Admittedly, we weren't expecting such a wonderful candidate," stated Lou Duskin, of the city police force, "but he was well-qualified, in fact, better than most of our current staff."

"You see, the average police officer can consume 2.5 donuts per hour. But with Chee-Chee's feet having the thumb like they do, he can take down six an hour. He's amazing!"

So if you get the chance, stop and see Stout's only attraction to swing from a tail, Chee-Chee, at "Scooby-Doo's Doghouse" in the Menomonie area. It is well worth your trip to see him in action.

Spears devastated in hair mishap

by Marshall Mathers
Staff Red Goblin

"She was, for lack of better terms, very distressed," stated Michael Grossman, Public Relations Manager for the teen heartthrob Britney Spears. "I mean, all of America saw her on the cover of *Rolling Stone*, treasure trail and all."

Indeed, Spears, 17, was not happy with her layout in the popular magazine. What she did, according to those close to her, was contact Doctor Dewey Feelwell, a prominent Hollywood mediothermomotist, specializing in chest hair removal.

In fact, the good doctor will tell you that he has serviced some of the most prominent names in tinseltown, among them, Madonna and Jennifer Love Hewitt.

"It's the focus of my business," Doctor Feelwell confided. "It's natural to have hair on one's chest. I charge a mere 2,000 dollars to have it removed."

Two days after the issue of *Rolling Stone* was delivered to readers nationwide, Spears went in to see the doctor. Those close to the teen phenomenon stated that the surgery was initially a success.

Chris Carlson, Horoscope Manager said, "She strode out of Doctor Feelwell's office confident and happy. Little did we know what we would find the next day."

After leaving the doctor's office, Spears flew to Louisville, KY to meet up with N'Sync and perform for the night's crowd.

"Later that night, at the hotel, we heard this scream around three or four in the morning," Lance Bass, N'Sync vocalist stated. "We ran down to Brit's (Britney's) room, to find her in the bathroom, staring at her hairy chest reflected in the mirror."

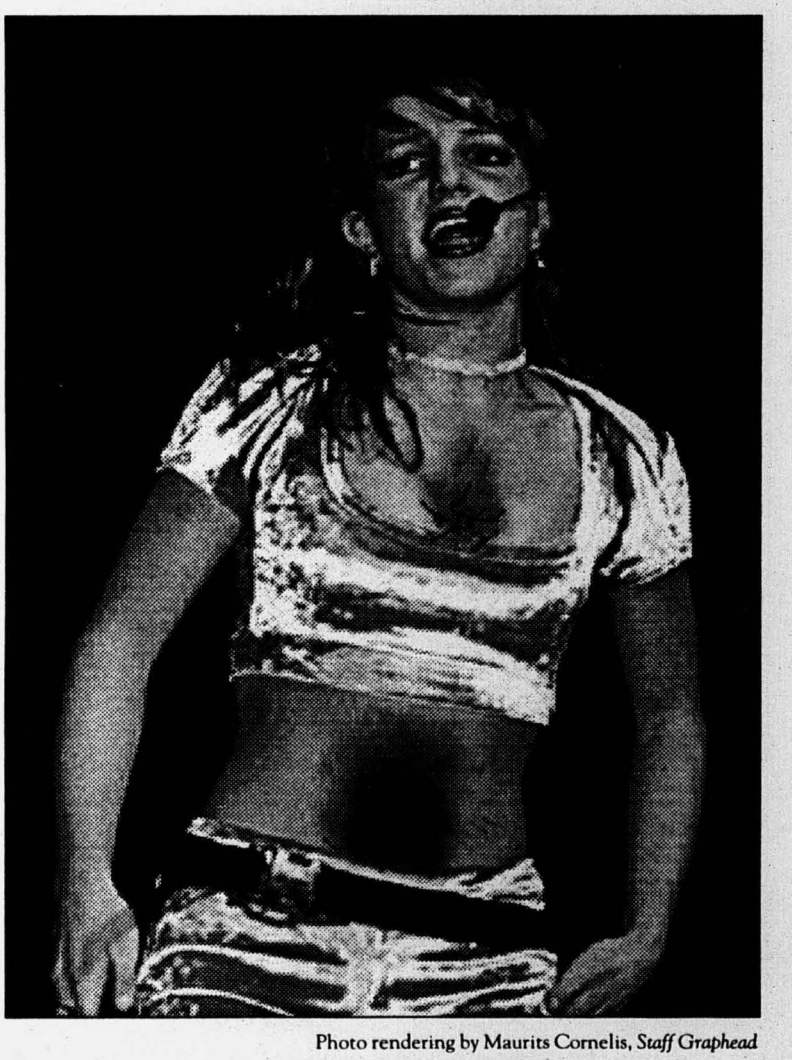


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A post treatment Spears goes on stage, burly chest and all.

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> J. C.
> *N'Sync vocalist*

J.C., another member of the all male group was right alongside. "We were all in shock. None of us has hit the puberty stage yet, so it was quite a learning experience."

"What had happened," stated Grossman in a news conference, "was just the opposite of our desired surgery effect, a condition called 'dypodexderia.' It's when the body, to counter for the rapid hair loss, produces hair in tenfold quantities, making her look very...man-ish."

Doctor Feelwell has apologized to the teen for the mishap, but to no avail. Spears has gone her own way, finding another mediothermomotist to try the procedure again.

Tesh, Bolton and Jay-Z do show tune release

Q: What do you get when you combine a hip-hop icon, a piano man, and a screaming pop star?

A: One of the weirdest trios on an album.



Phil Shoetvedt

Release:
"To be determined"
Artist:
John Tesh, Micheal Bolton, and Jay-Z
Synopsis: Working together undercover for years, the trio finally comes out of the closet, so to speak, when singing show tunes of the millennium
Rating:

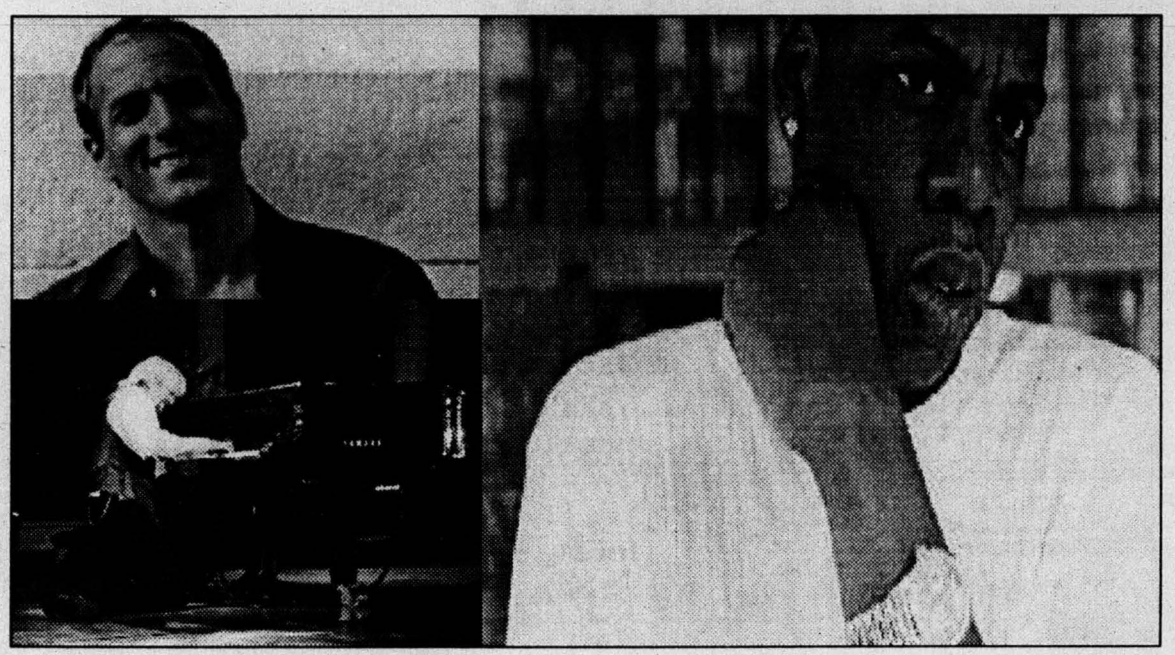


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What might be a surprise to the waiting public, Micheal Bolton, John Tesh, and Jay-Z will release their rendition of showtunes on CD later this spring. The three budding stars are also planning to tour together late this summer.

In an upcoming issue of *Rolling Stone* magazine, Bolton was quoted saying, "It's kind of crazy when you think about it. Three guys from the projects that actually like show tunes. Who knew it would take eight long years of swapping wives, making solo albums, and braiding each other's hair on the tour bus to finally finish our very first album together? Now all we can hope for is that the public will like it as much as we do, cause my hookers and my dope aren't going to pay for themselves, if you catch my drift." Truer words have never been spoken.

The most hyped up and sought after album of the summer is coming in July and I've got a sneak preview. It's a compilation album between John Tesh, Michael Bolton, and Jay-Z, covering the world's best show tunes of the millennium.

At first I thought, "Wow! This CD is really round and shiny! I don't know if I really like that." But once I popped it in my stereo, I was blown away. Only twice in a lifetime does a CD like this come around.

The album contains about 20 tracks and lasts for a good 120 minutes. I don't want to pigeonhole the release's unique sound, but it has a slight neo-classic tone to it with just a hint of salsa.

The tracks that really got my toes tapping were Bolton and Jay-Z's duet to *Luck Be a Lady Tonight*, Jay-Z's hippity-hoppity version of *Somewhere Over the Rainbow*, and the trio's version of *Summer Lovin'* from *Grease*, and finally, Tesh's awesome display of vocal talent on *Oh What a Beautiful Morning* from *Oklahoma*.

What's surprising to most people is that these three artists have been collaborating with each other for well over eight years. The trio first started with just Michael Bolton and then unknown Jay-Z in 1989. In fact, Jay-Z helped score the background music for *When a Man Loves a Woman*.

Then, in 1991, the duo picked up John Tesh when he auditioned for back-up singer on Bolton's European tour. Since then, the close-knit group have kept most of their focus on their solo careers and spent their spare time working on this long-awaited album.

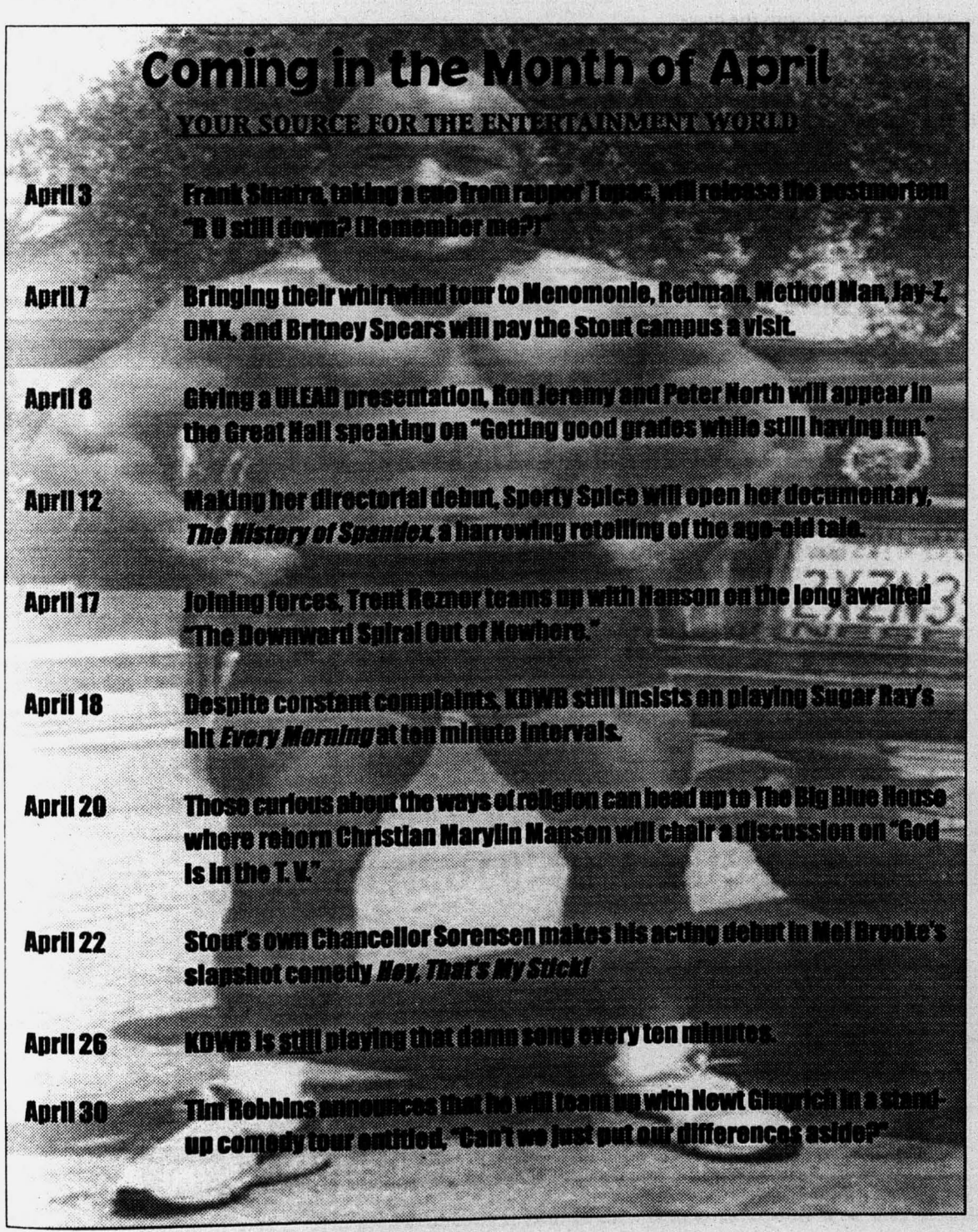
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Micheal Bolton
Contemporary Legend

So overall, I was completely knocked off my feet by this new rendition of showtunes. The trio's dead-perfect harmonies and melodic vocals really show the closeness of the group. It's a CD that is sure to be one of the hottest of the summer of 99, and I'm sure tickets for their fall tour will sell out fast, so make sure to reserve yours now through Ticketmaster®.

The only things that bring this CD down are its annoying shine and the pathetic way it spins clockwise in my CD player. With all that considered, the trio sing their way to a 3.

That's my bed and I'm wetting it.



Midget wrestling makes TV return

by Adolf Oliver Busch
Staff Pleasure Puppet

Following on the heels of the Pro Wrestling resurgence, some networks hope to cash in further, bringing midget wrestling to your very own living room.

That's right, in a UW-Stout dorm room very soon, you might be sitting on a Monday night, flipping through WWF, WCW, and find MWC, the Midget Wrestlers' Corporation.

"Due to the requests we've received, we are guaranteeing that we'll bring this form of entertainment to you," TNT network representative Bob Jones said Tuesday.

The Pro Wrestling federations have not been taken by surprise. In order to keep fan attendance, WCW will unveil a few new tricks in upcoming months.

"The league is looking into new possibilities. For us this includes matches in different terrains, such as a jungle setting or a snow-barren land," league representative Jose Munoz stated.

WWF has also made plans, focusing on randomly choosing members of the audience to wrestle members of their league.

As for the midget wrestling, fans are popping up everywhere.

"I can't wait," said Mark Davis, Stout senior. "Pro wrestling has lost its edge; I hope midget wrestling can obtain new heights."

And we all should see it live on television, as TNT will begin airing matches this fall.

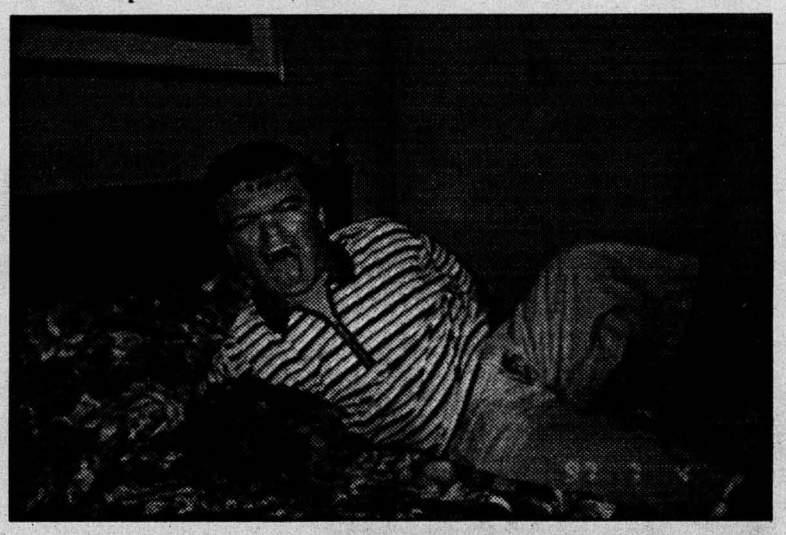


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Once thought to be unpopular, viewer requests have forced networks to look again at midget wrestling. Here, Barbaric Bob's head is pinned under Samuel the Great.

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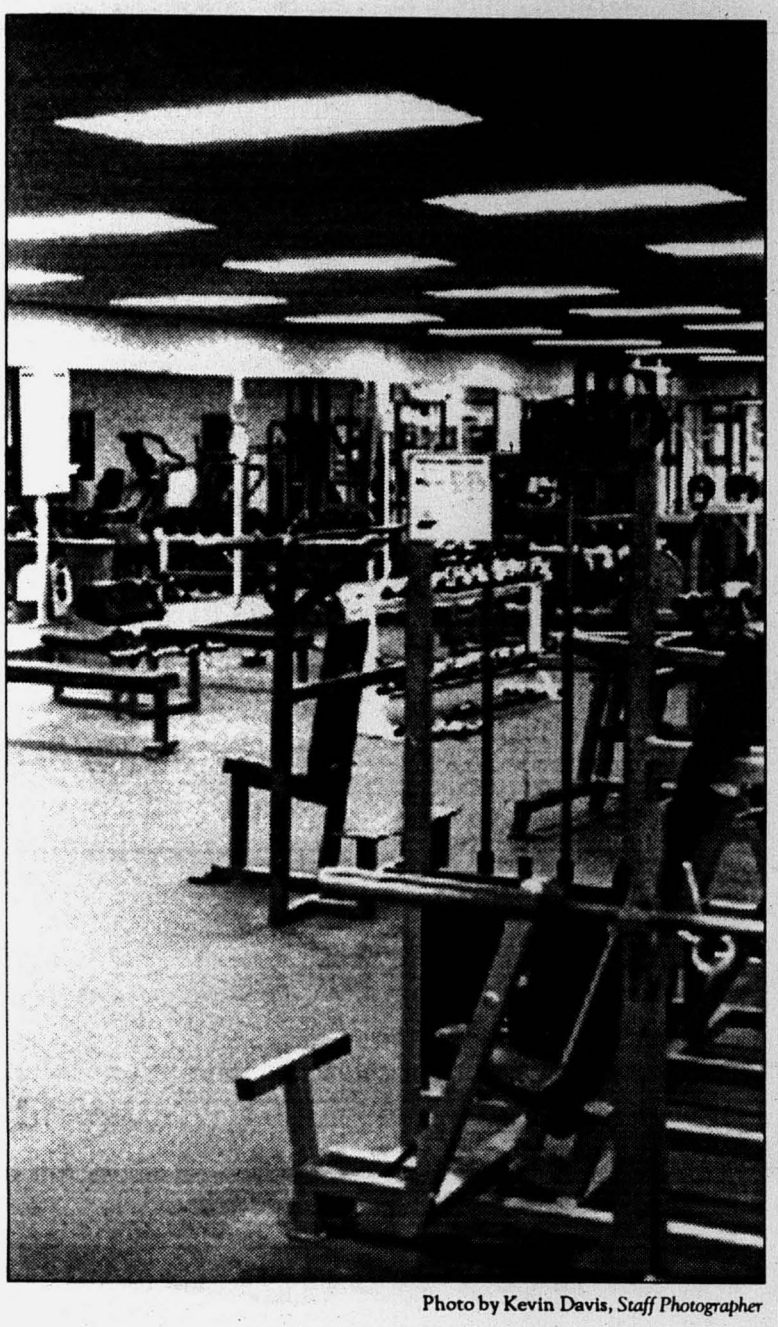


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The Johnson Fieldhouse Weightroom has difficulty drawing a crowd these days, following several tragic accidents, an infuriated student protest, and the conclusion of Spring Break.

by Rodney "Slim" Pickins
Staff Sergeant

Students joined together in protest last Friday to support increasing tuition for much needed safety improvements at the Johnson Fieldhouse weightroom. The protests, prompted by recent harm to patrons of the weightroom, were staged much like a sit-in, except with added sweat and bulk.

Several students held banners and signs in remembrance of those who had given their lives in the name of weightroom safety. The faces of Lindsey "Lawless" Wallace, Mark "Bruno" Perry and Jason "Chubs" Brady swayed above the angry crowd to remind the administration of the non-athlete student body who so desperately need their attention.

One protester, who wished not to be named pending charges of inciting a riot, shared her concerns with the Stoutonia exclusively. "All we want is a place where we can come and relax without being restricted to a stuffy, overcrowded room. We get enough of that in class."

"Bruno (Perry) was an inspiration to all of us," weightroom supervisor Mike Hamill said. "He was always helping first-time visitors get used to the equipment. I was on duty the night that treadmill malfunctioned. Man, I can still hear the sound of him smacking the wall. He was one big S.O.B."

Many of the female weightroom patrons just don't feel the same without Wallace in the building. As an advocate for weightroom etiquette, she challenged the old notions that women must work out in full make-up and trendy attire. Her greatest achievements included donning one of the first t-shirts ever seen on a woman in the weightroom and taking pride in her ability to actually sweat.

"It was a giant step toward equality in the weightroom," one of her good friends said. "At first we all thought she was crazy. But at her funeral she looked pretty damn good, except for being dead. Seeing her lying there really made me think: do these pants make my ass look tanky?"

The administration was not available for comment on the matter but University Police records indicate there have been numerous accidents in the weightroom this year. Casualties include several instances of fainting due to claustrophobia, viral lung infections due to poor ventilation in the area, and minor head trauma caused by the mad dash for an open cardio machine. There was one report of severe injury, after a freshman slipped in a pile of chalk on the floor, that ended in paralysis.

The Red Cedar Medical Center also reports a heightened number of ER patients from Stout during the months preceding Spring Break and dropping off drastically thereafter.

"The one thing we don't want to lose focus of here is the individual," said Marty Cooper, President of Students Trying to Eliminate Recreational Organizations In Disaster. "We're sick of being a set of initials on a sign-up sheet. How many more 'Chubs' will we let slip through the cracks before something is done around here? Well, maybe Chubs was a bad example for that metaphor..."

Weight Room Etiquette

❶ Following the laws of physics, and contrary to popular belief, cologne and perfume do not mask the odor of a hard-earned sweat. In this area, less is more. Weightroom regulars tend to value their oxygen with violent fervor.

❷ Be prepared to challenge elitist class members during morning hours of weightroom use. And, without an official UW-Stout ID or an article of clothing bearing the Stout Athletics Swastica, don't even try to get past the MPR warden.

❸ Unless you recently competed in the revered San Diego Marathon, do not schedule yourself for six consecutive appointments with the treadmill. You're not fooling anyone.

❹ The unspoken but sacred rule of the weightroom is "Don't drop the weights." Here's a tip: if you can't hang onto them, you shouldn't be lifting them. Weights are heavy.

Laundering scandal unfolds in Fieldhouse

■ Baseball fields suspected site of marijuana crop; police reports indicate "foul play."

by Doug D. Weed
Staff Security

Just when UW-Stout felt it had completely snuffed out all consumption of alcohol and drugs on campus, the institution is being investigated for allegedly running a high-stakes drug ring, using the campus as mainstay of foul play.

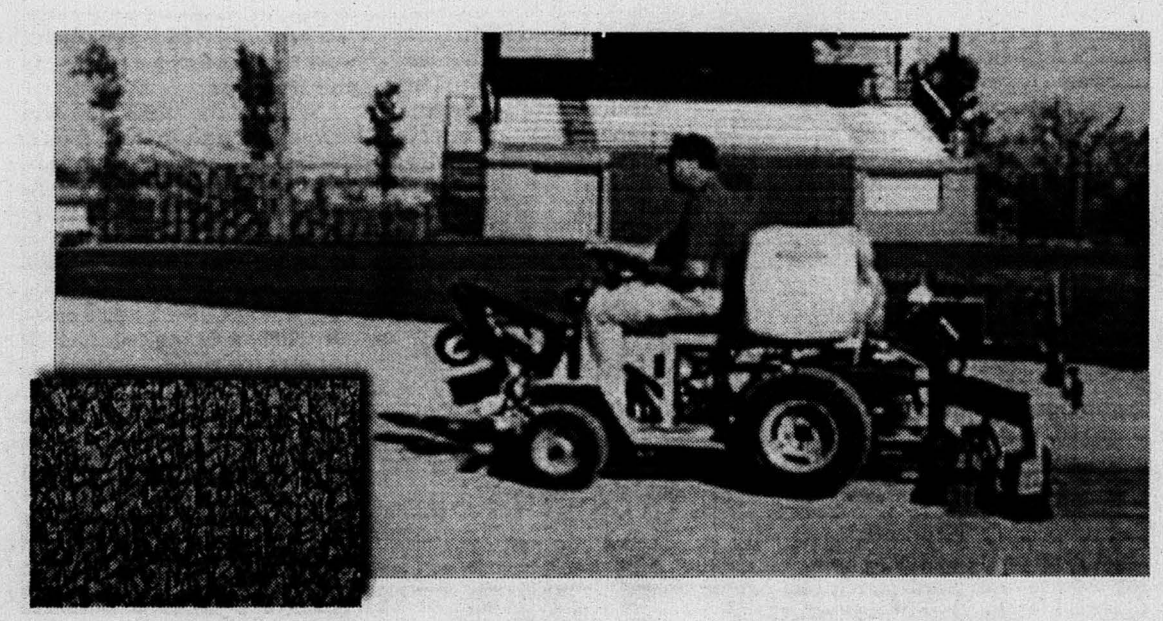
Unofficial records that were acquired suggest the ring may have originated through the baseball program in the early 80s. Several baseball players' names, which are unable to be disclosed at this time, are connected to the investigation of this reported multi-million dollar operation.

Ironically, it seems the laundry room in the Johnson Fieldhouse was quarters to the "laundering" of money as well as the storage sight of the narcotics. Unconfirmed documents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation indicate that over the course of a 16 year period, in excess of 4,000 kilos of marijuana, heroin and cocaine have moved through the previously inconspicuous laundry room in the Fieldhouse. If these numbers are found to be correct, this would be the single largest drug bust in U.S. history.

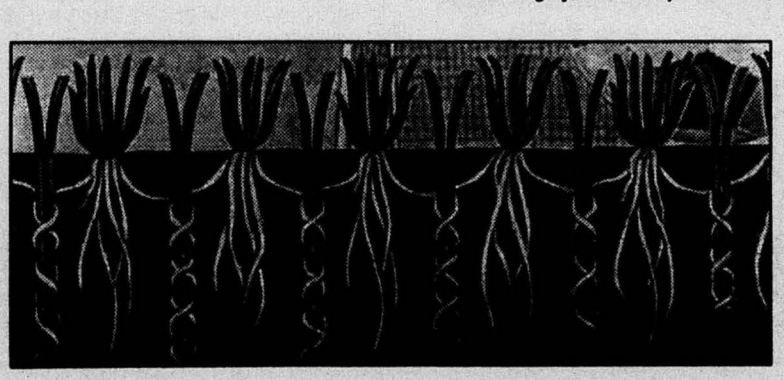
Worse yet, if the investigations continue down their current trail, it seems as though the filth of this operation may find its way well into upper faculty of the campus and even to the late and current chancellor.

If the investigation, which looks as though it may continue for several years, does include as many University staff members as suspected at this time, it would no doubt be the end of this academic institution. Chances are by the time the chancellors were aware of this highly illegal activity, the consequences would have been too severe to do anything other than play ignorant.

Finally, it is also suspected that fields in the surrounding areas, including the playing field of the Blue Devil Baseball team, may have been used for the growth and maturation of much of the marijuana suspected of filtering through the ring. The scandal is suspected to be a major contributor to the continually worsening color of Lake Menomin. Stay tuned to the Stoutonia for further updates on this investigation.



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Chancellor Sorensen made it his personal crusade to drag the baseball field where marijuana crops were beginning to mature (above, with inset of plant). It is estimated that the crop was strategically planted to sprout only after the suspects involved had left campus (left). University Police were unaware that the crop was ever confiscated.

Pro Wrestlers push the vote among groupies

by Ann I. Alater
Staff Surgeon

In a surprise announcement on the Tonight Show with Jay Leno, wrestling mogul Hulk "Hollywood" Hogan threw down the gauntlet and, defying conventional wisdom, announced his bid for the upcoming presidential election. This bold move comes in the wake of an astounding response to ex-wrestler Jesse "The Body" Ventura's presence in the Minnesota governor's office.

Many people who would have scoffed at such a premise scant months ago (this reporter included) now cringe at the prospect of yet another uprising of the marginalized middle class we've been so successful at pinning down.

Now, America is faced with two contrasting realities, the first being that people are capable of making intelligent choices for themselves, and the second being that these are the same people who are responsible week after week for manufacturing all of that unpredictable wrestling action. I think we can begin to envision a script for November 2000 that will undermine the very fabric of American politics. It is time for the thinking man to look for an outside influence. Enter the Alluminatti.



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Pro wrestlers such as Billy "Badd Ass" Guns and Jesse "Road Dog" James have united for a common cause. In attempt to raise support for the revived cult group Alluminatti, they are challenging loyal fans to a raucous rumble of the voting booths during the upcoming presidential election.

The Alluminatti, so named for their phallic alloy icon, are an underground movement. Originally the Alluminatti's goal was one of social and political stability. A virtual system within the system, they were able to use methods on the dark side of justice to bring balance to the force...uh, the system.

However, years of secrecy left the group in a tantalizing shroud of mystery that served well to manipulate the confused masses.

When confronted with allegations that these hereto allegedly abandoned policies are still alive and well today, local chapter leader Yoda Ami said that the allegations were entirely untrue, citing their full color ad in the Yellow Pages which advocates equality among first class citizens and justice from the mob. Further inquiry revealed that this ad was placed under the heading of *Suicide Cults*.

"You see, this is the problem," a smirking Yoda said. "The public conception is so horribly askew that the opinions of one band of roving doomsdayers is enough to distort the public's image of legitimate cults - like Catholicism." Enter pro wrestling.

It's a grass roots approach. "They need us," said an animated Undertaker, "as much as we need them."

It touts itself as the perfect wedding between equality and idealism, and bone-crushing, gut-wrenching, top-of-the-third-rope, everybody-wants-to-turn-it-off-but-can't-stop-watching mindless entertainment.

"The Alluminatti needed an audience so we realized we have not only the following they need, but also the power to roust our fans out of their trailers and get them headed for the voting... uh... place. The Alluminatti said they were shepherds in search of a flock, and we said, hey, we like sheep. I mean we really like sheep, you know," said the Undertaker.

Ladies and gentlemen, these are grave times in which we live. It is up to us, the responsible American upper-middle to upper-upper class, to take back the reins. Joe Public has had his way for long enough. If pro wrestlers are allowed to continue on the path of politics, soon popular election will mean just that. How will the two-party system be able to play off of itself to propagate the "lesser of two evils" approach to politics once they realize that independent candidates need only the people to secure legitimization?

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>
> The Undertaker
> *Professional Wrestler*

This is only the most sinister of may plots sent by the devil to wrest this country from its God-given inheritors. If we don't nip this in the bud, a cage match may eventually settle marijuana legislation. Think about poor Strom Thurman. The choice, my friends, is obvious. Just pray it's not too late.

Track-to-Back Invitational fails to raise dyslexia funds

by Randall Delong
Staff Infection

The Stout Track and Field Team hosted their first annual "Track-to-Back Invitational" on Saturday in front of a crowd of at least 12 spectators. The Invitational featured track and field events competed in reverse and was held to raise money for the Menomonie Center for Dyslexia Research.

Despite record-breaking fan attendance for the event, the meet went dangerously awry, proving that more research should be devoted to Blue Devil athletic activities as well.

The first sign of distress came during the 400-meter hurdle event. "I really worked hard on this all week during practice," sophomore Sheila Tripp said. "I guess I got caught up in the excitement and miscounted my steps between jumps."

Besides looking rather foolish in her lane, Tripp sustained only minor scrapes after knocking over several hurdles, which in turn knocked her on her ass.

The crowd continued to enjoy the camaraderie of the meet until they wised up after the discus throw. Entranced by the elegant spinning of Eau Claire Blugold thrower Chuck Rock, one woman in the stands was knocked unconscious as the thrower launched the discus in her direction. Her lawyers have contacted the Blue Devil Athletic Department.

"We just can't believe an institution of higher learning would not have the insight to foresee a disaster like this," the woman said earlier today in a statement released by her lawyer. "It may have been for a good cause but there must be a more logical way."

Perhaps the most shocking event was the pole vault, in which two unbelievable records were set. After setting a world record for highest unaided vertical jump by a human, Emily Gross was raced to Student Health Services, where the first ever abdominal extraction of a 20-foot pole was performed.

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>
> Anita Reedgud
> *Dyslexia Research Center spokeswoman*

Following the life-saving procedure, Gross was still a little disoriented as she spoke of her performance. "I have always wanted to be in the Blue Devil Record Books. Now I have two records and neither of them will ever be challenged! Do you know why? Because I'm Batman..."

Track and Field Coach Collin D. Juantemes gave his public apologies to both players, families, and fans. "Needless to say, we will have to find other ways to support funding for dyslexia research. The kids are already working on ideas for next year's charity event."

Some of the ideas that were thrown around include a quilting bee held by the Blue Devil Football Team, an etiquette dinner hosted by the Men's Rugby Team, and a pie-eating contest between the members of the Blue Devil Women's La Crosse Team. The UW-Stout Dance Team is currently seeking student volunteers for their Reading and Choreography Tutoring Program.

"It is a shame that the chaos of the events overshadowed the importance of our cause," said Dyslexia Research Spokeswoman Anita Reedgud. She was disappointed that so many fans left in horror, forgetting the need for special education targeting dyslexic students.

Reedgud, a deeply religious woman, knew the challenges of learning with dyslexia as a child. She hopes the blunders of the first annual "Track-to-Back Invitational" will not discourage people from donating to further dyslexia research.

"It's times like these when I just have to accept that some things are not in my control. We at the Dyslexia Research Center have to forget this tragedy, hope for better results next year, and put our faith in Dog."

A brutal Bauer battle

by Feline Potuin
Staff Altar Boy

"No, you can't use my sex wax," replied Yule Halihoolan, a goaltender for the Blue Devils. "You use my @#$%&*! tape. You use my @#$%&*! laces. You even use my @#$%&*! jock. But as for my hockey stick wax, you're S.O.L., pal!"

Gusty Gustafsen is the starting center for the Blue Devils, as well as the leading scorer. "He really has a lot of pull around here," said Coach Gilmore. "Pull on the team, pull in Menomonie. For Jesus' sake, he even has a lot of pull on his laces!"

"The way that I see it," said Sebastian Kurdikov, the alternate goaltender, "Is that Gusty just needed some new tape for the blade of his stick. After a few periods of hockey, your stick really undergoes some wear and tear. So I gave the poor moocher my tape and then he asked if I had any sex wax. I told him that I just used it up last night and I didn't have any more left. After apologizing, I told him to go talk to Halihoolan."

Halihoolan went over to tell Coach Gilmore and on his way he tripped and fell. That's when all hell broke loose. Halihoolan started swinging his Bauer 3000 skates by the lace, threatening to end Gustafsen's life.

"I don't know what happened after that," remarked Kurdikov. "I got knocked out by the back, luckily not the blade, of his skate."

"Everyvone got into it after zat. Sticks vere vlying like mad. Pucks vere rolling all around und zen I zink I even zaw zome false teez in ze air at vaun point," said Gunther Steinberg.

"I just don't know what in the hell happened to my team that night. TEAM UNITY. I try to drill their heads about TEAM UNITY. ARE YOU TOO GOOD FOR TEAM UNITY? You'd think that they wouldn't want to be UNIFIED AS A TEAM or something," Gilmore said.

"I think that it goes deeper than that," replied Joey Cherry, the assist leader on the team. "I've known these guys for over twenty years. We all used to play floor hockey on the third floor of Jetco Pool and Rye, an abandoned warehouse for swimming pools and rye bread."

At the end of this whole extravaganza, the damage total was impressive: 23 chipped teeth, 17 bruised elbows, 19 blown knees, 18 broken ankles, two broken collar bones, 21 over-extended hip flexors, and one poor bastard that wasn't "properly supported" will be unable to have children, reported Dr. Schnazwe from the U.W. Stout Student Health Center.

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Announcements

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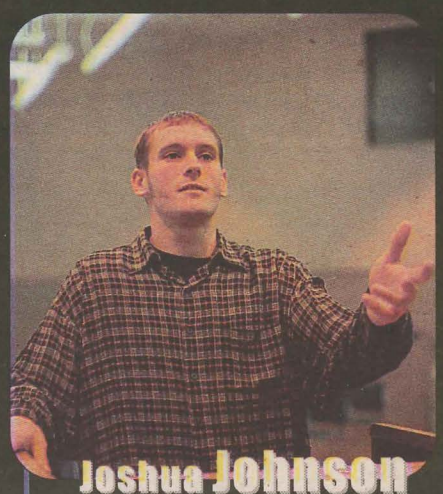
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SSA Elections '99

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Joshua Johnson
president

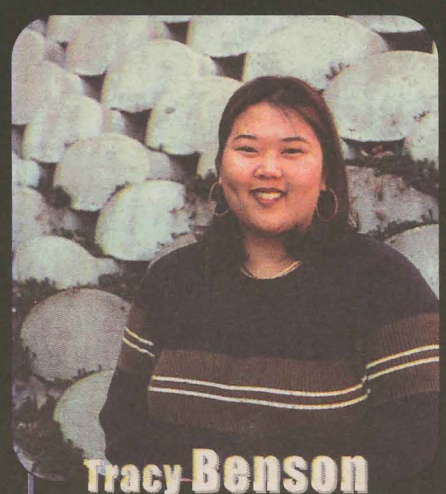
Psychology major, age 21

SSA experience: Caucus Leader, Director of Finacial Affairs

Other Activities: BSU, Psi Chi, baseball, track, cross-country

Goals: Address parking issues
Continue diverse programs
Specific academic advisement

Why him: The range of groups involved in has allowed him to create solid relationships not only on a student goverment level but also academic and athletic levels



Tracy Benson
president

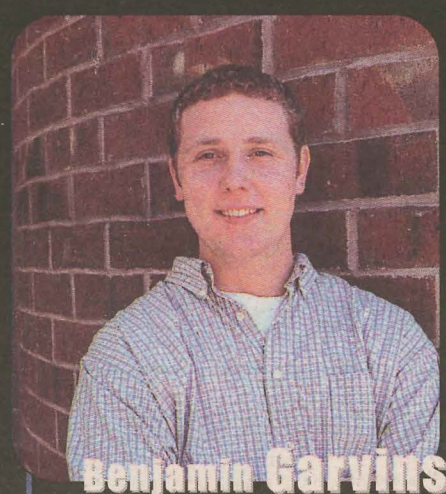
Psychology major, age 21

SSA experience: Director of Diversity

Other Activities: S.P.I.R.I.T.S, BSU, HSSO, Diversity Advisory

Goals: To focus on issues that affect students on a higher level, problems like tuition flexibility

Why her: Involvement in United Council allows her direct access to state legislation. Also, Campus activism and program involvement has enriched her qualifications



Benjamin Garvins
president

Packaging major, age 21

SSA Experience: Off-campus Senator, Caucus Leader, Economic Affairs Director

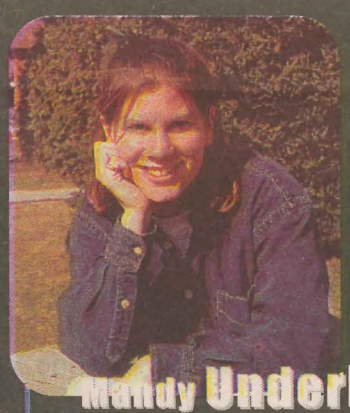
Other Activities: Phi Sigma Phi

Goals: Improvement in student academic advising

Why him: He feels he is well-spoken and approachable, this will create trust with senators and get things done with ease and compromise

Duties

- **President-**
  Act as liason between students, faculty, academic staff, and community
  Holds veto power over all motions
  Delegate work to executive board
  Chief Justice on University Court
  Reports to SSA and USS Chair
- **Financial-**
  Monthly meetings for segregated fees
  Coordinates budget allocations
  Supervises funded org. spending
  Revise SSA policies each fiscal year
- **Academic-**
  Maintains contact with state representatives
  Consults on academic problems
  Informs on affecting academic issues
  Rep. on Student Bill of Rights
- **Diversity-**
  Keeps contact with diverse students
  Creates awareness on safety issues
  Advises Gender Issues Senator
  Creates effective on-campus network
- **Legislative-**
  Acts as lobbying force for students
  Informs on affecting legislative issues
  Chairs Legislative Affairs Committee
  Coordinator for UW-Stout voting



Mandy Underbakke
financial affairs director

Early Childhood Education major, age 19

SSA experience: IGC and HKMC Senator

Goals: Letting students know exactly where their money is going



Mike Bombaci
financial affairs director

Tech Ed major, age 19

SSA experience: LTC and Off-campus Senator

Goals: Get students involved in issues by having senators reach out to them

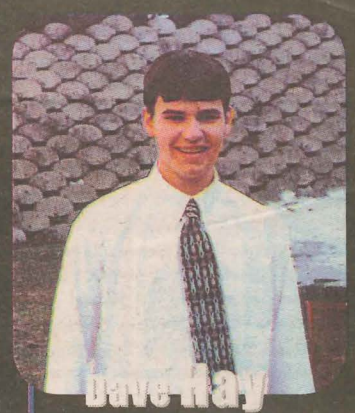


Angela Reed
academic affairs director

Human Development and Family Studies, age 19

SSA experience: All/Off-campus Senator

Goals: Educate campus on what SSA does, what things they offer to students



Dave Ray
academic affairs director

Business major, age 18

SSA experience: Caucus leader and Off-campus Senator

Goals: Maintain a unified government. Also, make professor evals. student accessible

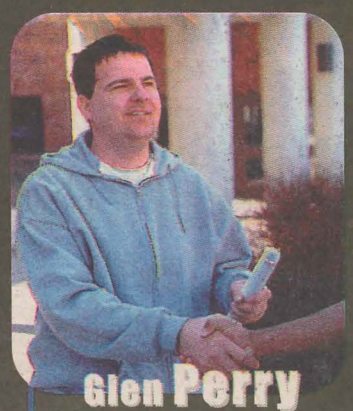


Beatrice Gayfield
director of diversity

Dietetics major, age19

SSA experience: Hovlid, Off-campus, and Multicultural Senator

Goals: Continue the excellent job Tracy has done by bringing diverse groups and programs



Glen Perry
legislative affairs director

Tech Ed major, age 32

SSA experience: Off-campus Senator

Goals: Work on internet problems, especially E-mail for commuter students. Also, work towards making parking available on a first come, first served basis

by Sarah Gudmanson, *News Editor*
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Page design by Stacy Potratz, *Layout Asst.*

Look for referendum flyers at voting booths Tuesday. If passed, the legislation will allow SSA to become a referendum member of the United States Student Association. See booths for details.

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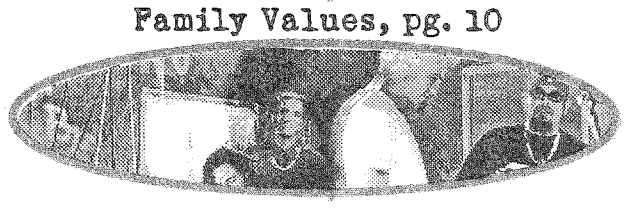


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Hmong conference bridges cultures

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

This weekend marked the 12th annual educational conference for the Hmong Stout Student Association (HSSO); entilted "Preparing for the New Millennium of Change and Diversity."

UW-Stout has 75 students enrolled that have Hmong ancestry. The conference brought an attendance of around 150 people from the Wisconsin and Minnesota area. The conference strives to bring a larger number of Hmong students together to relate and deal with the issues affecting them. Change and adaptations to different cultures Hmong students have to make, while keeping knowledge and pride in traditional heritage, was a large part of the discussion at the conference.

Tou Ger Xiong was a key speaker at the assembly, and is said to be the most influential Hmong figure in America. Some of Xiong's talents include being a comedian, rapper, cultural consultant, and storyteller. The popularity of his performances has sprung from his unique combination of Hmong folklore, modern rap and comedy to focus on and interest young Hmong students. He does this while trying to focus on parents who are dealing with Hmong youths.

"I really enjoy seeing small communities, especially new immigration communities, having conferences like this so they can hear success stories and bridge generation and cultural gaps," Xiong said.

The conference was not only about bringing a common culture together, but also on giving advice. "One of the goals of the conference is to bring knowledgeable speakers to educate, motivate, and inspire students on campus about issues affecting Hmong lives everyday," Steven Vang, HSSO advisor, said.

The wide variety of workshops incorporated into the conference were geared towards addressing those issues. Advice on goal planning and achieving, pursuit of cultural identities and higher education, and spiritual support were some of the presentations for those attending the conference.

Aside from the workshops and speakers, music was played in both languages in an all-night dance. Those dancing, ranging from preteen years to age 60, displayed a lot of what the conference represented. Many danced the traditional dances, while younger Hmongs were break-dancing to American pop music. "We want to keep having the conference and hope that future conferences will bring an even larger attendance," Vang stated.



BELOW: Breakdancing, this Hmong student displays the bridge between Hmong and American cultures.

ABOVE: Kah Hlub, a Hmong band, performed throughout the night in the MSC.
Left: Tou Ger Xiong entertains and informs with his unusual blend of rap, comedy, and folklore, and storytelling.

Photos by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

Debates over RA selection

by Jeramiah Townsend
Staff Reporter

Increasing problems with some Resident Advisors has raised some questions about the selection process that potential RAs go through, and if they are being trained in how to deal with the many situations they may encounter on the job.

So far this year, Resident Advisor for 4th Kranzusch Ryan Gilson was released from duty in the face of alcohol charges, including drinking behind the desk in the CKTO lobby while he was on duty and allowing underage persons to use alcohol in his room.

More recently, 2nd Chinook Resident Advisor Brent Fitzgerald was also released from duty, stemming from charges that he carried a small wooden bat with him while he was checking out a room that had several noise complaints against it. He ended up involved in a light confrontation with one of the occupants of the room.

Although the bat was not involved with the incident, and in fact was set down before the confrontation happened, Brent was already on probation from a

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E-mail virus causing computer problems

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

David Smith of New Jersey sent cyber terror across the world last week when he down-loaded the "Melissa Virus" onto the Internet. It is estimated that this virus has already caused over a billion dollars in damage, and with a flurry of copycat viruses still active, the repair is rapidly increasing to a price that is out of control.

Computer viruses now occur more frequently then ever before. According to a report released from Microsoft in January of 1999, between 1998 and 1999, the rate of infection rose by 52 percent.

A virus is a type of program or piece of code that attaches itself to other programs on your computer, and can trigger anything from a harmless flashing message to a system-wide meltdown.

"Currently there are over 24,000 viruses on the Internet," stated Gwidon Kolkowski, a junior at Stout who works for Communication Information and Operation Systems.

"The only way to protect yourself and your computer is to have anti-virus software installed on your computer."

Kolkowski recommends the Norton Utilities Software, which costs anywhere from $30 to $50, making it affordable to anyone who owns a computer. It is essential that anti-virus software is used and updated regularly, so that these programs can recognize and destroy all the new invaders.

Even more important is being able to detect and prevent the spread of viruses. In the case of the Melissa virus, the infection created a new e-mail message to be sent to 50 addresses listed in the user's MS Outlook address book. Once the document was opened, it then sent the e-mails, which made the virus spread quickly and difficult to harness.

It is vital to never open e-mail or a document from an unknown source. This is the main cause for spreading viruses.

Another computer safety tip is to only download software from reputable web sites, and even then always be sure to run virus-scanning software on the information downloaded.

Computer viruses are a serious problem in a technology oriented society. New viruses are released and discovered everyday, making it impossible to fully avoid them.

Some viruses are hoaxes disguised as "important messages." These messages are characterized by their insistence that receivers pass them on to everyone they know. They can be very convincing and intimidating. Before passing on the warning to others, make sure the message itself isn't a hoax.

Fortunately law enforcement is going to make an example of Smith in order to deter other would-be virus senders. He could be facing 40 years in prison.

SSA ELECTION RESULTS



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Ben Garvens.....264 votes
Josh Johnson...199 votes
Tracy Benson....186 votes

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Ben Garvens, New SSA President

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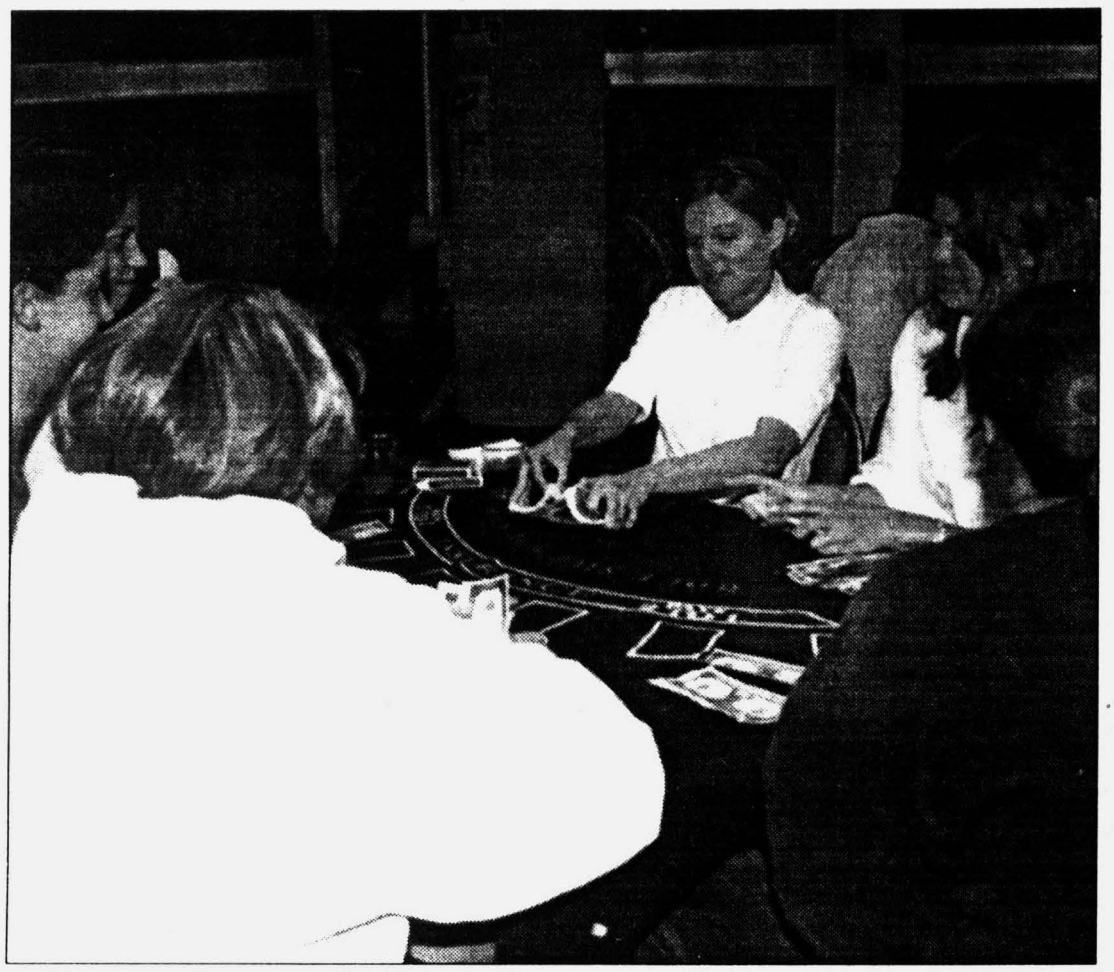


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Assistant Photography Editor*

Delta Zeta held the 10th annual Casino Night on Wednesday in the Memorial Student Center. The event was geared towards the promotion of alcohol awareness week. Free dry drives will also be provided by Delta Zeta on Thursday night. Anyone interested in a free dry drive can call 235-1250.

New committee tackles problems

Recent survey indicates Stout graduates lacking in important areas

by Christine Schefers
Staff Reporter

A new committee has been conceived and is in its embryonic stage at UW-Stout.

Their purpose is to help students perform better on the job, enhance career opportunities, increase knowledge about the world, and ultimately make students a more well-rounded, desirable employee in the future.

The committee, which is yet to be named, was introduced to Chancellor Charles Sorenson by Josh Johnson, a Stout Senior, based upon recent findings in a survey taken by UW-Stout graduate students. The survey indicated especially low marks in appreciation and development in the arts, ethical consequences of decisions, sense of physical and mental well-being, lifelong aesthetic experiences, and the understanding of the effects of political ideas and systems.

The information discovered raises concern because many of the areas in which students are reportedly lacking are among general education objectives.

"I was informed by LaMont Meinen [director of Placement and Co-Op Services] about what employers have seen in our students. What they found was that the students knew next to nothing about Wall Street, how the economy is affected by it, and vice versa," said Associate Director of the Student Union Bill Siedlecki. "They need the performing arts to become more career-oriented."

Being supported by the Chancellor as well as many students and faculty members, the committee will bring a lecture series and more performance art to UW-Stout, as well as keeping students informed about contemporary issues. Most importantly, it will foster the open-mindedness and understanding needed to relate with the members of a growing Multicultural work force.

"Employers like 3M include community involvement in their employee culture," explained Siedlecki. "If you have no performing arts experience, you are limited. Suppose that the community you are active in brings in an inner city modern dance troupe that interprets the black experience through dance. If you don't understand the world we live in, then you probably don't understand the people in it either."

The student government, as well as contributions from corporations, ticket sales, and endowments from the Wisconsin Arts Board, will help fund the committee if it becomes permanent. However, little has been done yet as the committee is very young and has barely been started.

"Although UW-Stout is not by far a liberal arts college, the committee will help the university become a broad institution that educates the entire student," Siedlecki said.

Co-op placement statistics confusing

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

The Placement and Co-op Services on campus lists annual employment reports each year, listing the percentage of students who find jobs related to their major after they graduate.

According to these reports, Stout ranks quite high in the placement area, often 100 percent for some majors.

But questions as to whether these percentages are accurate and if the Co-op and Placement Services is even able to determine what job is related to each major, are being asked by doubtful students.

These percentages could be misleading because of the high percentages claimed to have students placed in a major-related field.

Students are often unaware of are the factors that go into determining which jobs are related to each major and the process it takes to track down graduates to find out what types of jobs they are employed with.

Percentages on placement are gathered through employment surveys sent out after graduation. The graduate is allowed to choose, when stating their job/profession on the survey, if it is in their major, related to their major, or out of their major.

When students see the listings of student placement after college they must take into consideration the Co-op Services, when making their report, relies on surveys mailed back to the center and from graduates they are able to track down by telephone. The Placement and Co-op Services doesn't choose which jobs are to fit into each major or even place students into their jobs after graduation; they are only a volunteer help organization that assists in finding jobs that fit the qualifications graduates have.

"Vacancy listing of employers, on-campus recruitment, and referrals to employers are available," LaMont Meinen, Director of the Placement and Co-op Services, said.

"600-700 employers go through campus. The level is high compared to other schools," Meinen said. "Taking advantage of the co-op volunteer help organization and doing it early on will make finding a job in the future only easier."

The Placement and Co-op Services just gives students avenues in finding the ideal job in the future. It is up to the student to decide what job they consider to be in their major and where they want to go within it.

Beyond statistics, informational materials for job or internship seekers are available at the center, located on the bottom floor of the Administration Building.



RA debate

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previous incident. That, combined with this recent event, was seen as enough to release him from his position as RA.

"Ryan was a great RA," Luke Vitkus, resident of 4th Kranzusch Hall, said.

Another resident, who wished to remain anonymous, believes Stout is not doing all it can to hire the most qualified RAs.

"My RA is definitely not a people person, she is hardly ever around, and when she is she is always hiding out in her room."

Ann Ramage, Associate Director of Residence Life, said potential RAs are not put through a background check before hiring. They instead provide at least two to three references, which could include former RA experience or former employers' names.

RAs in training are supposed to go through a group training program and a group interaction process to determine if they are right for the position of Residential Advisor. Potential residential advisors are also interviewed by students, returning RAs, and hall directors.

This was not the case with James Sullivan, who was hired to replace fired RA Ryan Gilson. "They handed me a manual and a set of keys, and assigned one male and one female RA to help train me in the beginning," he said.

Sullivan says he received no group interaction process and no Spring group training. This migt be due to the special nature of the circumstances around his hiring and the firing of Gilson.

On the other hand, Matt Adams, Resident Advisor of 1st Chinnock, did go through Spring training before he was hired. "I think the training processes RAs receive are thorough and sufficient in helping RAs deal with many situations they are involved in."

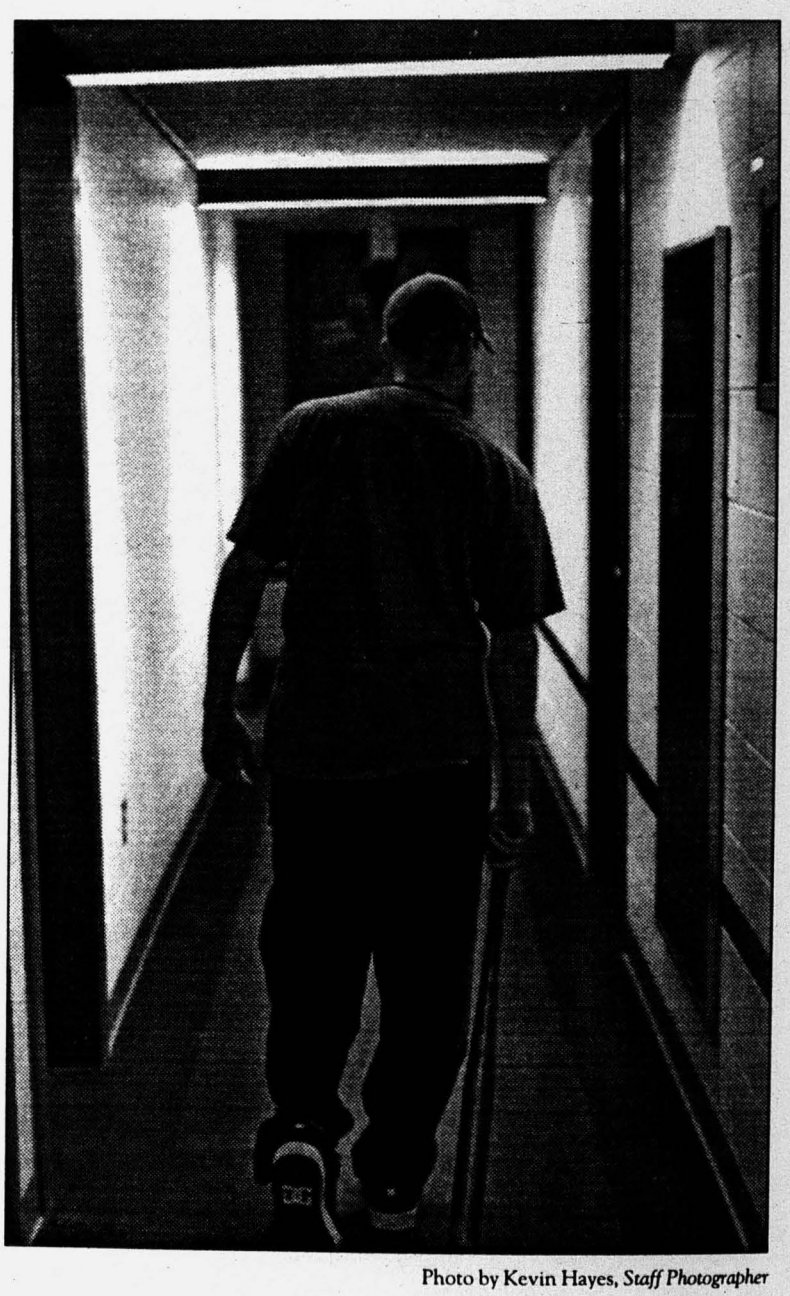


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Questions about how RAs are hired have begun to rise as recent problems involving RAs have occured. Recently, an RA was fired for carrying a bat to a disruptive room.

KOSOVO



KOSOVO — WHERE IT ALL BEGAN....

1968 • Ethnic Albanians demonstrate for independence

1974 • Kosovo becomes an autonomous province of Serbia

1990 • Serbian President Milosevic strips autonomy; violence erupts

1996 • Kosovo Liberation Army begins deadly bombing campaign

1998
- Apr • Serbs reject international mediation of Kosovo
- Sep • Serb forces attack villages; 22 people found massacred
- Oct • NATO authorizes air strikes; Milosevic withdraws troops

1999
- Jan • Serb forces kill nearly 100; international efforts seek peace
- Mar 23 • NATO begins bombing strategic Serb targets
- April 6 • NATO refuses to match Yugoslav offer of cease-fire



University *Notes*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from submitted news releases

The Clothesline Project

On Tuesday, April 13 symbols of courage will be displayed to tell the stories of women who have endured abuse. This is the first year for the program and it will be held in the Great Hall. Sponsors include the Residence Life Office, Affirmative Action Office, The Bridge, and others.

Golf tournament

The American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin is holding its second annual golf tournament on May 7 at Tuscumbia Country Club in Green Lake, WI. The proceeds from this event will benefit the AICCW's scholarship program. Check-in and registration is at 9:00 a.m. The cost is $75/player and includes 18 holes, cart, lunch, dinner, and door prizes (including a Chevrolet Cavalier). If there are any questions contact the AICCW at 414-462-1638.

Scholarship available

The Menomonie Area Branch of the American Association of University of Women (AAUW) is offering one $300 Adult Learner scholarship for the 1999-2000 school year. To qualify an applicant must be 25 years old and be enrolled in a baccalaureate program at UW-Stout (applicant can be male or female). Applications are available in the Financial Aid Office or room 208 of the Library Learning Center. The deadline is April 9.

Open Air Auto Show and Swap Meet

On Sunday, April 18 the 32nd annual Auto Show and Swap Meet will be held in the Dunn County Recreation Park from 6 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Admission is $2, or $1 with a canned good. Refreshments will be provided by the Red Cedar Auto Club. Awards for first, second, and third places will be given out at 2:00 p.m. This event is sponsored by the UW-Stout Auto Club.

Police *Beat*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield

Theft/university

A student reported that sometime between midnight and 7 a.m., a person(s) methodically removed the room number tags from all the fourth floor rooms of Wigen Hall. At this time there are no known suspects.

Vandalism

During the Hmong conference, an unknown person(s) knocked over a portable display case located in the entryway by the second floor south entrance of the Student Center. The glass window on the display case was broken and glass was strewn everywhere. There are no known witnesses or suspects.

Suspicious activity

The hall staff of HKMC smelled what they believed to be marijuana smoke emanating from a room. An officer was dispatched and also smelled marijuana along with air freshener. No one responded to requests to open the door. The officer then went outside and observed the window open with the screen missing. No one was inside. The staff will cite the occupants for the screen violation.

Citations

For the week of March 29-April 5, there were five underage drinking and two possession of drug paraphernalia citations issued.

News *Briefs*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield

Yugoslavian cease-fire denied by West

Officials from France, Britain, and the United States were quick to dismiss Yugoslavia's announcement of a unilateral cease-fire in Kosovo Tuesday citing that it lacked all of the criteria for a NATO cease-fire. In fact, they called for more NATO bombings until Belgrade met all of the West's demands. German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer called for a meeting of the G8 countries on Wednesday, as all of them have not come to the same conclusions about the supposed cease-fire.

Inca mummies discovered

The best-preserved mummies ever discovered from South America's Inca civilization have been found on a high Argentine volcano. The bodies are of two girls and one boy, ages eight to 14, sacrificed 500 years ago. They were found buried six feet under the world's highest archeological site (22,000 feet). They remained perfectly preserved due to the extreme cold. The bodies were most likely buried alive. The internal organs are still intact and scientists plan to run genetic testing on them to see if they are related. CAT scans and other non-intrusive tests are also in the works.

Life terms issued to killer of gay student

Russell Henderson, 21, pleaded guilty to felony murder and kidnapping charges in exchange for two life sentences instead of the death penalty. Prosecutors said Henderson and his accomplice Aaron McKinney lured gay student Matthew Shepard from a Laramie, Wyoming bar, pistol-whipped him, and tied him to a fence on a country road in sub-zero temperatures. Shepard died in his hospital bed five days later. The trial has sparked many anti- and pro-gay activist activity in the town of Laramie. Both groups claim the attack clearly calls for new legislation. McKinney will go on trial in August.

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Editorial

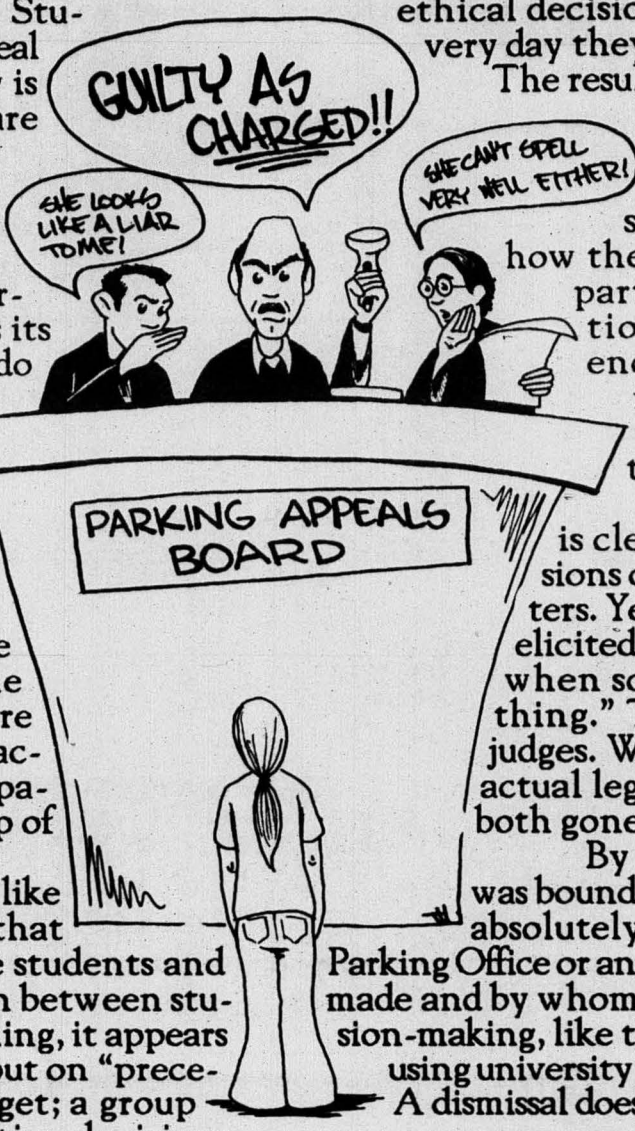
Welcome to Circus Court

The Parking Appeals System at Stout seems as bottomless a pit as the meters we plug each day. Students are assured they have a chance to appeal their parking tickets, that the university is interested in fairness, but the statistics are not on their side.

At UW-LaCrosse, River Falls and Eau Claire, less than five percent of parking tickets are appealed each academic year; Stout's appeals are at an estimated 15 percent per year. University lip service tells its story; the numbers tell their own. Why do so many students appeal their tickets here? Perhaps we're all nearsighted or stubborn, but it more likely points to a weakness in the system. If there are clear and sufficient signs, reasonable guidelines, and trained parking officials, our numbers should not be this high.

So when students take issue with these parking anomalies, who's listening? The Appeals Board says they are, that they are watchdogs for the rights of students and faculty. They appear unbiased, as they're separate from the Parking Office and made up of six representatives from different areas.

But what looks to be roses isn't smelling like them. A closer look at the group shows that four are non-students while only two are students and it would be naive to say there's no division between students and staff on this campus. As for training, it appears the board receives little or none. A handout on "precedents" and a pat on the back is all they get; a group charged with making completely objective decisions about the guilt of a person doesn't get a bit of guidance in ethical decision making. In fact, one can vote the very day they join the group.



The result is a group that is not quite sure what their decisions should be based on, how to handle difficult ethical dilemmas, or assess a myriad of circumstances. A bigger slap in the face is how the Board seems reluctant to do a large part of its job- to assess parking conditions. Changes are made only when enough people complain about a confusing parking lot or needed signs, and the Office has raked in money from the refused appeals.

In their "by-laws" of sorts, the Board is clearly instructed to avoid basing decisions off appearance or quality of appeal letters. Yet phone calls to some board members elicited comments like "Well you can just tell when someone's trying to get out of something." Thank god they never wanted to be judges. What ever happened to evidence or an actual legitimate excuse? Apparently they've both gone the way of courteous meter "maids".

By virtue of its very structure, the Board was bound to run into these problems. There are absolutely no checks and balances outside the Parking Office or any detailed records of why decisions were made and by whom. And confusion leads to shoddy decision-making, like their statement that "Most individuals using university parking are potential repeat customers. A dismissal does nothing to change their behavior and may actually reinforce the behavior that led to the original violation." This is the type of instruction they receive- no wonder they think appellants are sneaky and underhanded.

We need to ensure that our Board is treating people fairly, and that someone is checking to make sure they do. But we need students to volunteer an hour or two on the Parking Appeals Board, it's the only way our voice will be heard.

European conflict affects many

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

Jamie Dean
Columnist

Here in the quiet Midwest, the ongoing conflict in Europe seems so far away. To some it may even seem irrelevant.

The constant stream of information with which we are subjected to by the major news networks tells of the suffering and bloodshed in the Balkan region, a war which in various forms has continued for almost nine years.

The problem, though, is hardly a new one. The different ethnic communities that live in the region have been feuding for centuries, an issue that was only briefly addressed with the formation of the state of Yugoslavia following World War II.

In this country, the different ethnic groups of Serbs, Macedonians, Croats, Slovenes, Albanians and Bosnian Muslims live together. Traditional feuds repressed by the socialist bonds bind them together as Yugoslavian compatriots.

Forty years later, at the end of the 1980's, the unimaginable happened. Not only was Germany reunited, but the break-up of the domineering Soviet Union was already in rapid progress.

As with the other socialist republics and Soviet satellites of the East, Yugoslavia became caught in the rush for democracy and the better way of life that had been promised by the U.S. and Western Europe.

With freedom within their grasp, the ethnic constituents of Yugoslavia all systematically pushed for independence. With this new freedom, old wounds were reopened, and the previously denied nationalist tendencies found their way to the surface.

It is not a coincidence that nearly all of the previously Communist states in Europe and the former USSR have experienced bloodshed in the years since they became democracies. Even Russia itself has had to deal with the long and bloody Chechnyan conflict, well within its own borders.

Despite the rich promises of democracy, many of the reforms that were hastily set up in the former Communist states have left the majority of people in just as bad, or even worse conditions than they were in under Communism. But the few industrious ones among the many have risen to the top of the heap, creating disproportionate differences in income.

National identity may have importance, but when nationalism tends towards fascist intolerance and xenophobia, it is time that some basic human needs are given more priority. At least in the socialist system - the ideal anyway, it is not the differences but the commonalities between people that form the basis for a society.

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Wisconsin laws lead to mistreatment of children

Eddie Mullins
Columnist

Wisconsin needs to come out of the woods and start looking at their old laws. We will soon be starting a new century yet our state is stuck in 1950.

Wisconsin courts are currently considering if a man who tried to have his wife killed should retain his parental rights. Most of us would say no, but the state says yes. According to state statutes, evidence of conviction of crimes may be excluded if its value is substantially outweighed by the dangers of unfair prejudice. What a crazy law! Who's to say what this guy would do to his child if he got angry with him or her? Does the court even think about that? My guess is no. When the father promises to change, the Wisconsin courts listen.

I'm all for people who want to be given a second chance and can truly prove that they can change. But how can this man say he is concerned about the welfare of his son and want what is best for him, while turning around and trying to have the child's mother killed. He gave up his rights of a father when he committed such a horrible crime.

Wisconsin's stance is no surprise, considering that many of our laws are not updated regarding children. For example, state law says residents do not need to be warned that there is a child sex offender moving to their neighborhood.

Our legal system has consistently failed to act in the best interest of the child, contrary to what they're shouting in child custody court battles.

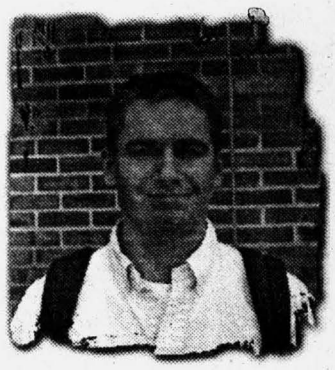
We have seen so many cases over the years where a child is adopted and three to five years later the child is returned to the biological parent. Is that the best interest of the child, to be ripped from the arms of the only parent that they have known, to the arms of a total stranger? I can clearly see this case if there is abuse involved, no questions asked. But just because a biological parent has a change of heart and wants the child back, they are not entitled to do so.

Let's get real and start punishing people who do wrong. It's time we take charge!

Campus Slant

Taking the pulse of the campus

What is the best excuse to get out of the dorms?



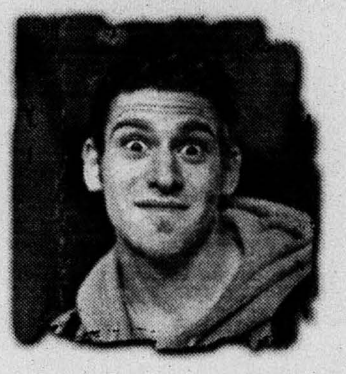
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Next Week's Question: "What's the sound of one hand clapping?"

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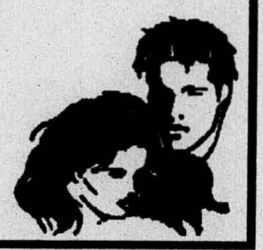
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Beware of the hidden risks of college debt

by Sarah Blarek
Staff Reporter

Imagine getting a letter from a potential employer that says, "Sorry, you were well qualified for the position but we were unable to hire you because of your poor credit rating. We feel that your financial irresponsibility is an indicator of what your job performance may be like in the future." This scenario may not seem typical, but it is becoming the rule rather than the exception. Many companies are viewing potential employees' credit bureau reports as part of their employment decision.

In addition to causing employment problems, having bad credit prevents students from obtaining car loans, home mortgages, renting apartments, and more. Late payments, account charge off, and bankruptcies stay on credit bureau reports for seven years or more.

Because of a recently implemented policy at Stout, credit card companies may no longer solicit at the Memorial Student Center. There were too many students getting into debt, and no financial counseling available on campus.

Even if the average person pays their credit card bills on time, unless more than the minimum payment is made, the debt remains for an unreal amount of time. Let's say a few outfits are charged along with a couple bar tabs and a weekend trip for a grand total of $1,000. At an 18% Annual Percentage Rate (APR) with a 3% minimum payment it would take six years and $559 in interest charges to pay off those few days of spending. And those figures are calculated as if there were no charges after the initial $1,000.

Students need to be wary of credit card offers, especially those who offer low introductory interest rates that skyrocket after the first few months. It's also important for each student to determine whether their wallet can handle a credit card, and if they are good enough with their personal finances to be responsible about their bills. The best suggestion is to become educated about credit cards, and how they work. Credit card companies really like students, until payments are missed.

"It's like Jekyll and Hyde," said one Stout student who wished to remain anonymous. "The companies are so accommodating until you fall behind. Then you get collection calls every day, and all of a sudden they are not on your side anymore. I charged up several thousand dollars on fun stuff like clothes, jewelry, and a trip to Europe. Now I've had to consolidate my debts through Consumer Credit Counseling. They have frozen my interest and I pay one lump sum to them each month. They distribute it to each company I owe money to. I would recommend this service to other students who are in serious debt."

Consumer Credit Counseling Services is available all over the U.S. through offices in several cities. Students can call the Menomonie office at (800) 780-2890. Also, there is a legal advisor at the Stout Counseling Center available for students considering bankruptcy.

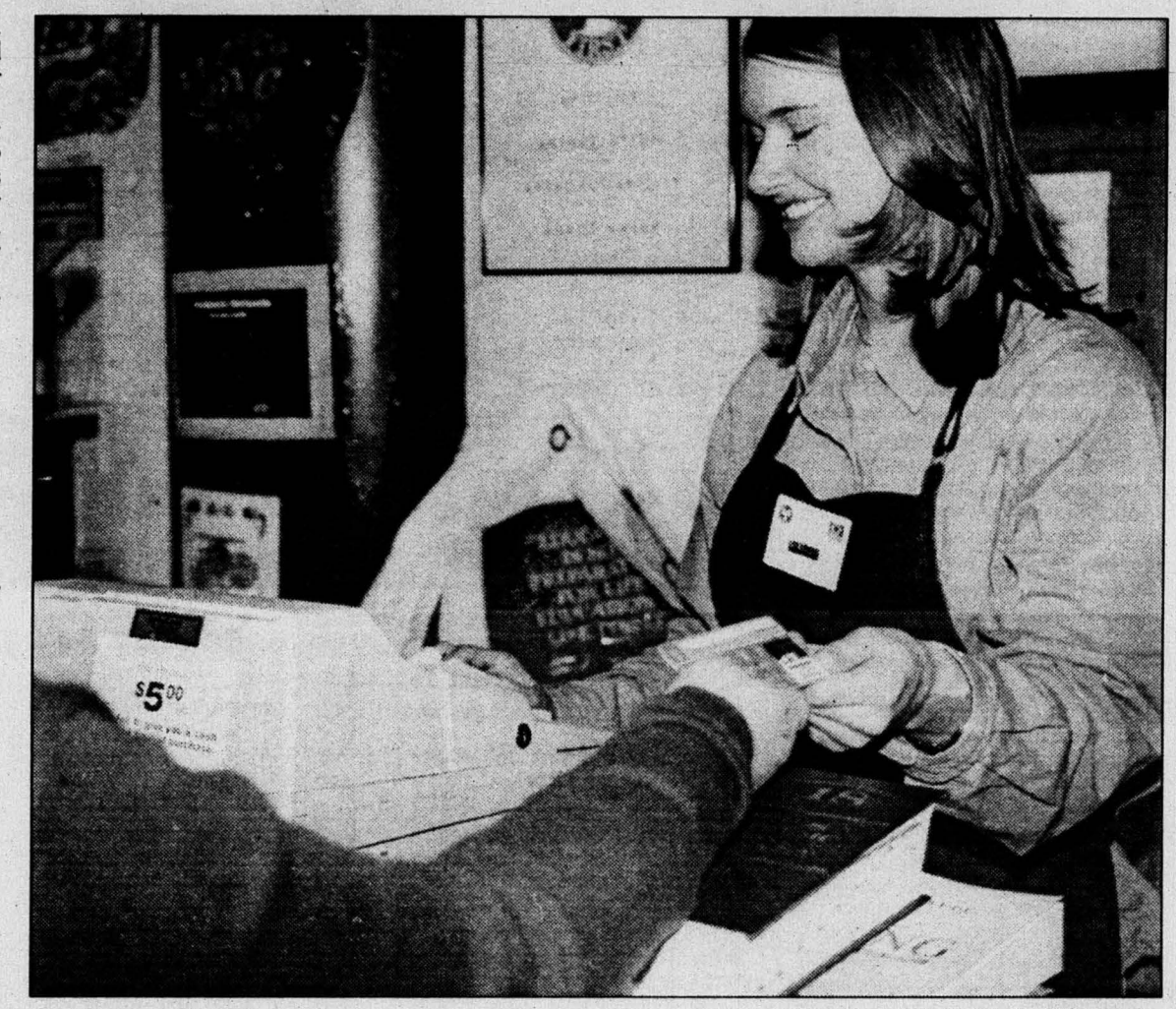


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It seems so easy to "just charge it." Soon, balances are so high that only the minimum payments can be made. Drowning in credit card debt, some may not realize the effects this may have on a future job.

The break-down guide: tips that ensure safety



Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

The cost of being towed after a breakdown is now around 70 dollars. Knowing what to do in the situation to avoid frustration and harm is priceless. Keeping an emergency kit in the car and buying a cellular phone are ways to soften the impact of being stalled.

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

It has happened to almost everyone; the once dependable car breaks down unexpectedly. This is never a pleasurable experience.

An unexpected breakdown can throw a wrench in the entire day and completely disorganize a schedule. Not to mention the money that goes into car repairs and towing. So let's be realistic here; it makes sense to be a smart driver and be prepared for a possible breakdown. After all, it could save hundreds of dollars.

It is recommended that drivers carry an emergency kit in the vehicle. This kit should contain a flashlight, flares or a reflective sign, pay phone change, first aid supplies and some basic tools for the car. There are a variety of kits available ranging from 25- 50 dollars. Flares can also be bought seperately for around six dollars. If interested, check out www.saveonshopping.com.

Although a breakdown of any kind is unfortunate, the situation intensifies if it happens in the middle of nowhere, if it is late at night, or one is female. According to Sergeant Lisa Walter from the Campus Police, a sign should be made if possible and put in the back window stating "CALL POLICE." She explains further that it is important to make it aware that help is needed. If one is not comfortable checking the car for mechanical mishaps then stay in the car.

"Never leave the vehicle, this is your safest place," Walter says. She also stresses that a person should not get out of the car to talk with someone approaching the vehicle. Only open the window a slight bit for air or paper to be passed through.

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Under investigation for: It seems AMA members have put on their leather jackets and bandannas and joined the Harley riders. They are now suspected of joining the local gang notorious for starting bar fights. Rumors are circulating about them raffling off a 1999 Harley-Davidson 1200 Custom Sportster at Log Jam (a bar, go figure). A ticket costs five dollars and the winner will be drawn on Friday, April 16.

Common Misconception: A student has to be a business major to join. This is false information. In fact, anyone interested can join.

Current reports have suggested: In hopes to learn current trends in the industry, members have been reported to attend conferences throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota. In somewhat of a conspiracy, many chapters sit in a "round table discussion" talking about what bar to hit next.

Suspicious behavior: Complaint calls were made from local residents last winter concerning noise pollution. In an attempt to "carol for cans" to donate to the local food pantry, it seemed that residents were giving them food just to leave.

Future investigations concerning: The bi-annual Reggaefest is thought to be in their planning once again. There has been some talk of it taking place on Saturday, May 8. Investigators haven't discovered where yet but you can bet the 10 dollars to get in that it will be at Log Jam.

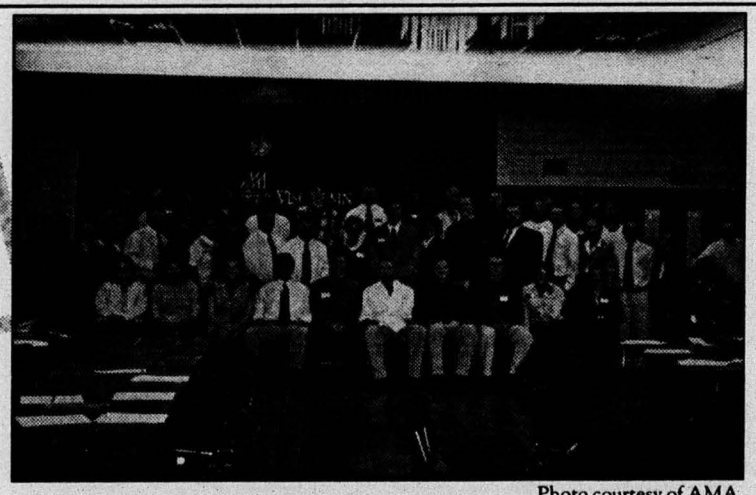


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Students fight fever as spring approaches

by Jake Groshek
Staff Reporter

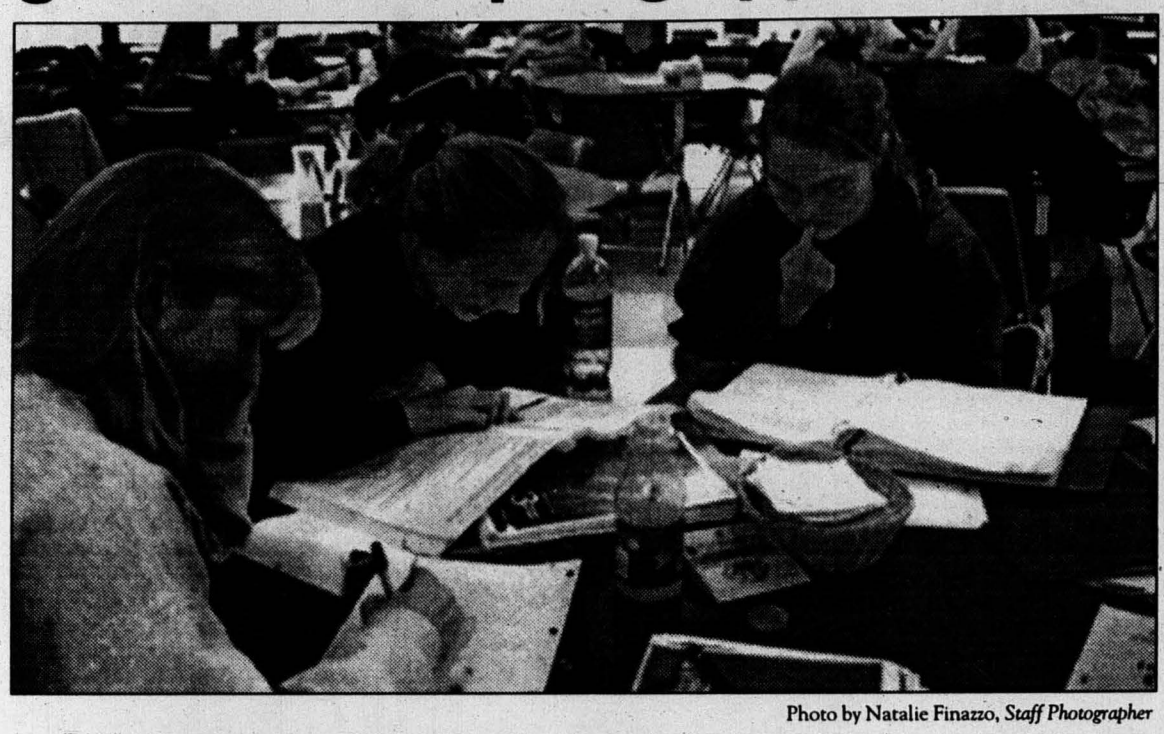


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Balmy breezes and tank tops are beginning to appear outdoors as student attendance decreases in class. Spring is here and students have the fever. Time must be balanced so the weather doesn't cause students to underplay the importance of college.

It happens every spring. The temperature rises. The snow melts away. The flowers start to bloom. Birds begin to sing again. And students start missing more and more classes. In what can only be considered a natural phenomenon, spring fever spreads like wildfire among students across the country and right here in Menomonie, Wisconsin.

While some may not take advantage of the blossoming weather conditions, those that do often find it impossible to place academics before recreation. Spring break is just a distant memory and the only end to the building pressure is finals week. This doesn't paint a pretty picture for the average, socially involved student. As Stout sophomore Chuck Hultquist said, "It's rough going to class when everyone is out having a good time in the sun, and my roommates have started drinking."

Financially, is it really worth skipping class? At Stout, a three credit class costs around $280. That translates into approximately $93 a credit or nearly $10 every time a student skips a class. If a student misses an average of three classes a week, this adds up to about $480 a semester of wasted money. While nearly every college student has little money to spare, it is surprising to see how easily an average student can waste nearly $500 a semester by skipping class.

As it is (hopefully) the goal of everyone at this institution to graduate, what can be done to avoid spring fever? Other than enormous self-control and tireless motivation, there are several tactics that can be used to help students stay on task. One of the best ways to stay focused on academics is to set weekly goals, and plan rewards for achieving those goals.

Another method of surviving spring fever is to set a certain number of classes that a student allows himself or herself to miss during a semester, and sticking to it. By doing this early in the semester, a student is able to save their "sick" days for the temptation of spring. As many have come to know, procrastination can be a student's worst enemy. By keeping up with homework assignments and class projects, many potential problems can be eliminated.

Students should try to keep in contact with their professors to ensure they are on the same page. The key to success in college may very well be understanding professors' expectations. Since classes are typically small at Stout, students here have an advantage of being able to contact nearly every one of their professors.

Spring fever seems to take an exceptional effect on upperclassmen, particularly seniors. Many students about to graduate can see their G.P.A. plummet and potential career opportunities disappear in their final semester. Senioritis can be a very real issue. Many seniors cringe at the thought of leaving their friends and their adoptive homes, and this can negatively affect their academic performance.

It is also noteworthy that recreation is a very important part of a student's physical and mental health. As Stout professor Jerry Johnson said, "It is good for students to miss class now and then. Students can be more productive outside of the classroom sometimes." Johnson also said that "moderation" was a key to academic success and does not promote excessive absenteeism.

If anyone would like more information on study tips and surviving spring fever, they can stop by the University Counseling Center, room 410 Bowman Hall, or call 232-2468 to make an appointment. No one should take their collegiate career for granted, and everyone should realize why they are ultimately here for an education.

breakdowns

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If walking to find help is the only option, write down useful information and leave it in the car. This should include: name, date, time left, and direction heading.

Another suggested way to handle late-night breakdowns in the middle of no where is to put on the hazards, lock up the car, and rest in a safe and unnoticeable place (such as the ditch). When someone pulls over, wait to watch their actions before coming out of hiding. This may save a person's life when they see their car being vandalized. They then realize they may not have been safe in meeting that particular person.

For anyone who drives alone, there are several tips to improve personal safety. Keep the car in good mechanical condition, lock all doors while driving and if stalled, roll up the windows as well. Keep the phone number of the police and towing companies in the car and purse at all times. It has been suggested to invest in a cellular phone so it is available during emergencies. To keep the costs down, do not give the number out; just have it readily available in times of need. This could save a lot of time and hassle. Phones can now be purchased for a reasonable price to only be used to call 911 in an emergency.

In addition NEVER pick up hitchhikers, and sound the horn in potentially dangerous situations. It is recommended that shortcuts through unfamiliar areas should be avoided, and items like flashlights, pens, screwdrivers and fingernail files can be used as protection in extreme cases.

...Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Chloe's in the ghetto.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

Hi. My name is Chloe and I'm a disastaholic. My problem began when I started to work for the Stoutonia. Now everywhere I go I collect messes like garbage workers collect the trash. I'm starting to think I'm a helpless charity case. Anyone want to donate?

Do I even dare tell my experience of this week? What the heck, no one knows who I am anyway. At my parents' request, I drove home from work late Saturday night so that I was able to spend Easter dinner with my family. Exhausted, I finally walked through the doors at 2 a.m. I had contemplated driving the two hours there and back because I had to be at work at 4 p.m. the following day.

Before I started the drive back, I was glad to see my family if only for a few hours. I suppose going to church was also going to help me in the long run. Jammin' to tunes in the swan car on the way to work, I was soon in the heart of the Cities. The traffic was minimal, the breeze was whispering and I was relaxed. I had not a care in the world.

The song "Touch It" came on and I cranked it up. Shades on, I was singing and dancing, looking all cool. Drivers craned their necks to look at the crazy girl in the white Geo. I danced more. "Do you really wanna touch it, do you really wanna..." Suddenly, the radio went dead. At this point I questioned myself, is this an omen or just a result of bad singing? I played with the buttons for a while, thinking what, I don't know. If it was broken, trying to turn it on probably wouldn't work. So I tried hitting it a few times. Just when I was about to swear because of the radio, I hesitated as a result of the massive jerk my car gave. My car was slowing down, but my gas pedal was to the floor.



Here I am, in the middle of the interstate, nursing my car through an auto-spasm. I had to continuously pump the gas to get my car to move. By the time I found an exit, I had a stream of angry drivers all honking behind me. I gave them the finger. Well, the last thing I need is someone else to tell me I'm driving slow. Duh, my car is breaking down, not too happy about it. So I would appreciate you not riding my ass about it. I made it to the first light off 94 before my car died. De ja vu. I'm getting pretty good at putting on my hazards, locking my doors and walking to the nearest station.

In my fury, it takes me a double take to realize what part of town I'm in. I hear the bass, I see the shocks bouncing, I smell the marijuana as the tinted windowed cars bounce past me, chrome wheels spinning. I'm in the ghetto. Old Dirty Bastard, I later found out, was blaring. The irony of this situation? The hangout was a Starbucks; yeah, as in coffee. In what seemed to be inner-city gangs, people were sprawled out on the jacked-up cars that were idling. Steering the other way, I walk up to a pay phone that was presently occupied. It seemed my excessive pacing and foot tapping didn't give this guy the clue. Listen buddy, if one more thing happens to me I'm going to crack. I didn't say it out loud. What if he pulled a gun?

I decide to crawl through the crowd into Starbucks. I turn to see some dude on my tail. Just wait to hear what happens next...

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Family Values evaluated on CD form

Unquestionably, the band Korn took an enormous risk in creating a hard rock ensemble tour under the title of "Family Values," featuring some of the hardest names to tour under one package.

But to their credit, the tour's first round drew in over 243,000 fans during their 27 show tour in late 1998. In this year, Korn fans will be both delighted as the Family Values tour is slated to go for round two this fall, and disappointed when Korn will be in the studio planning their fourth disc, instead of touring with their brainchild.

Never fear! For just when you thought you'd heard all you could of Korn, Limp Bizkit, Ice Cube, Rammstein, Incubus, and Orgy, along comes the LP from their famed tour, an excellent consolation for those who missed out on the fall festivities.

The CD, recorded during shows in New Orleans, LA and Fairfax, VA, gives listeners a fair simulation of the live show, beginning with part-timers Incubus and building to the headlining Korn. Fans get to listen in on a few on-stage antics, including screaming fans chant "Fuck you, Ice Cube!" to the waiting rapper, and a couple of unreleased tracks.

Disappointedly, the release does not feature the talents of DJ Punk Roc, who interluded the live affair. Instead, the CDs collaborators give us the talents of C-Minus. I actually support the maneuver, but if it was authenticity that the artists were going for, they missed out on this step.



Corey Klein

Release: Family Values '98
Artists: Korn, Limp Bizkit, Ice Cube, Rammstein, Orgy, and Incubus
Synopsis: Excellent for a live disc, falls short of simulating the live show.
Rating: 1/2

It's difficult to find anything to dislike on this disc. Opening with Incubus, the band who played on about half of the tour dates, the band relaxes you with their Primus-like style in *New Skin*.

The CD then takes a turn into Orgy, who entertain the crowd with a three song set, ending with the now MTV anthem *Blue Monday*.

Limp Bizkit steps up to the mike next and well, rather disappoints. The powerhouse lyrics of Fred Durst are almost muted after he tells the audience, "There's not enough people on the floor. There's DEFINATELY not a enough people on the fuckin' floor!"

This incident obviously affected Durst, as he delivers *Cambodia* (previously unreleased), *Faith*, and the former House of Pain's smash *Jump Around*. Those who saw the live concert in Minneapolis will agree that Durst was much more charismatic on stage than this release shows.

But never fear, the parade marches on to Ice Cube, who delivers old school beats from his N. W. A. days before letting the German power plant known as Rammstein take their turn.

The climax of the fiasco is when cult gods Korn take the stage, as the crowd erupts in cheers. The group doesn't disappoint, giving a seven minute cut entitled *Shot Liver Medley* (consisting of *Shoots and Ladders*, *Justin*, *Predictable*, *Ball Tongue*, *Divide*, and *Kill You*) before delivering hits off their latest album.

As for round two of Family Values, Limp Bizkit will headline the tour in Korn's absence, following up their sophomore CD. Due out early this summer, the CD offers some impressive cameos from the likes of Jonathan Davis (Korn), Scott Weiland (Stone Temple Pilots), and even hotshot rapper Eminem. Other acts on the tour are speculated to be Kid Rock and either Outkasts or Naughty by Nature.

As for the CD, it is a must for all Korn/Limp fans and earns a three-and-a-half. This is discounted by the inaccuracy of using Incubus only half the dates and C-Minus instead of DJ Punk Roc.



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Headlining the 1998 Family Values tour, and now CD, is the heralded group Korn. They will miss the 1999 tour to record their fourth release and leave the headlining spot to prodigy group Limp Bizkit.

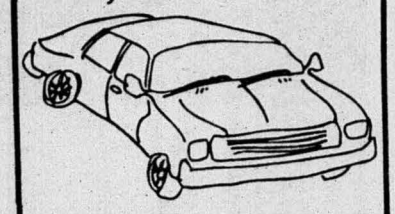
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We went on a long family trip to visit my aunt Phyllis in Philadelphia. We had great directions..first left off the ramp then a right at the light and so on...but we didn't know which exit.

So, we kept trying different ones. One time we ended up at a pet store, another time at a car wash. We went to some nice places.

After six hours we found the house, but it was midnight and Aunt Phyllis wouldn't wake up.
Never got to see her.
Had a nice ride home.

There's something wrong with my dad.



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Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Good day to curl up with a good book. Later, you will build a fort out of your furniture and shoot rubber bands at people.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Today you will overhear people talking about you and realize that you're an incredible bore who nobody likes. Go to the library and study up on that issue.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) This week will be especially stressful, and if you're not careful you could end up in a very grumpy frame of mind. Take precautions. Wear your Star Wars underwear today.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You will call someone today, who will insist on calling you "Sven" for some reason. Just play along.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Today, you will wake up in someone else's body. You'll get a funny feeling that you've "traded down."

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) It is a proven fact that if you hop around on one foot while clapping with your hands in the air for seven days straight, good fortune will soon arrive. Well, not really but it would be fun to watch.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You can't get that song out of your head so you'll spend the day walking around singing "Give it to me baby, uh huh, uh huh!" Many will run in fear.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Good day to avoid small men with pointy shoes.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) You will be detained by the police today, on suspicion of having removed a tag from a mattress. Eventually they will let you go with a warning.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) You'll try to alleviate the boredom you feel by making something creative out of twine. Fortunately, it will work but you'll need a lot of twine.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Uh oh. I should have warned you about that. I'm sorry.

Special effects is the answer to *The Matrix*

Anyone who is a big sci-fi fan and loves to mix action with deep thought is sure to be dazzled by the new sci-fi thriller *The Matrix*.

For those special effects gurus who need an appetizer for *The Phantom Menace*, now just one month away, *The Matrix* is guaranteed to tide you over.



Phil Stacksadt

Movie: *The Matrix*

Starring: Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, and Carrie-Ann Moss.

Synopsis: A special effects extravaganza, the film will keep you at the edge of your seat. A great entrance into the summer film season.

Rating: 1/2

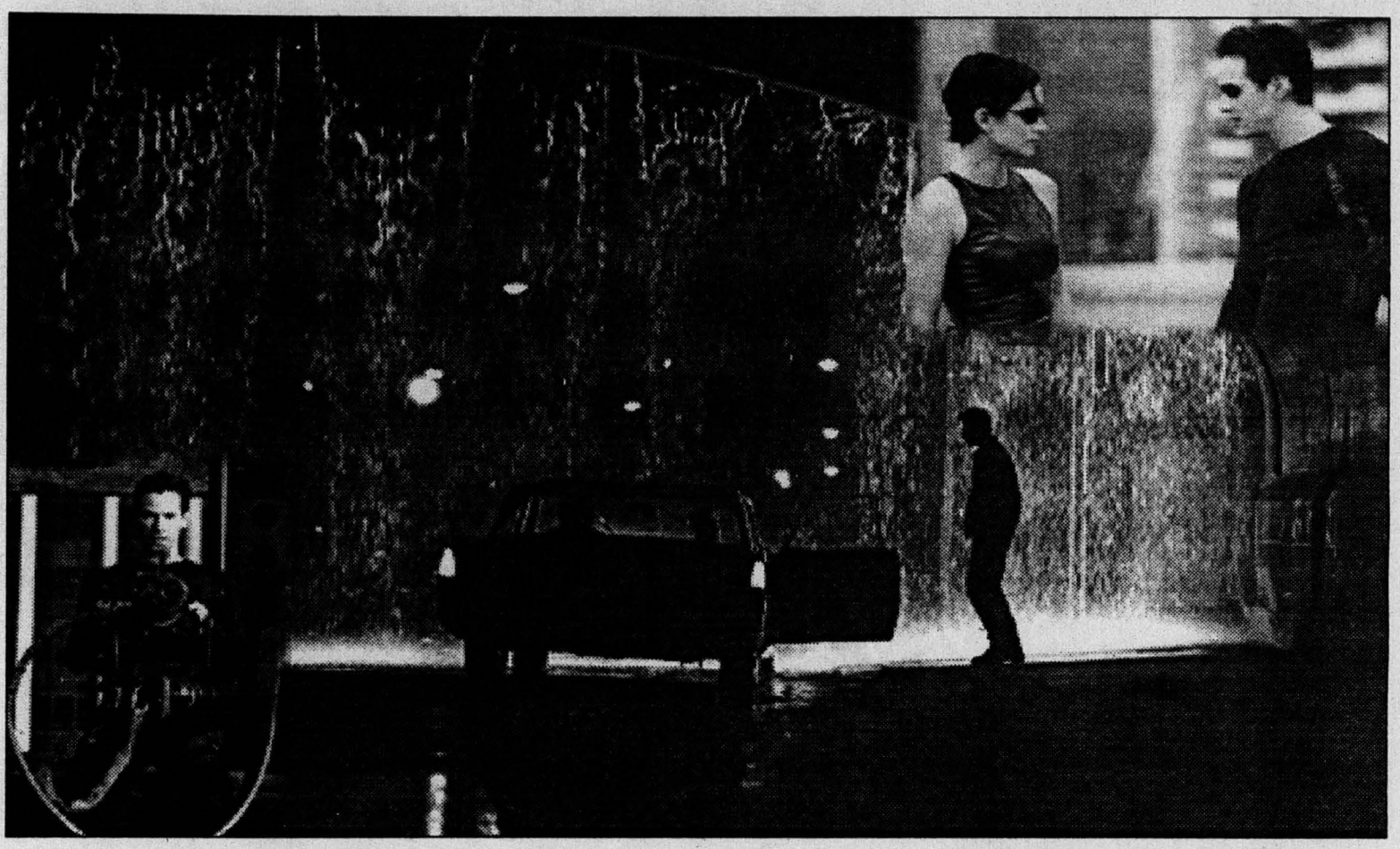


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Ushering in the summer blockbuster films a little early, *The Matrix* opened last weekend. The sci-fi thriller taking place in an unknown future stars Keanu Reeves and Laurence Fishburne. The flick is an excellent option, delivering enough special effects to ignore Reeves' shortcomings in acting.

Just released on Friday, *The Matrix* stars such big names as Keanu Reeves (*Speed*, *Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure*), Laurence Fishburne (*Event Horizon*, *Othello*), and Carrie-Ann Moss. Moss is obviously the newcomer to the crew, but after seeing her dazzling looks and on-cue acting during this film, she's sure to land a few more opportunities for roles in blockbuster films such as this one.

The Matrix is a difficult movie to classify. It has a little of both action and sci-fi, which should remind viewers of such movies as Arnold Schwartzeneggar's *Total Recall* and Fishburne's last effort with *Event Horizon*.

To give you an overview, without ruining the movie's ending, it is set in both the years 1999 and 2199. Due to a massive overtaking, the measurement of time has been lost. Keanu Reeves plays a super hacker dubbed "Neo" that is pursued and recruited by an elite group of people led by "Amorphous," played by Fishburne. Fishburne does an excellent job portraying a near "cult leader" position. This group is out to protect the human race, and has uncovered Neo as their supposed golden boy-messiah.

At this point the movie gets a bit confusing so pay attention. Honestly, I don't think a whole lot of people will be able to follow everything in the plot. My suggestion would be to get as much out of it as possible, and from there just sit back and enjoy the computer graphics and the super cool fight scenes.

The computer graphics and fight scenes are undoubtedly the brightest parts of this movie.

It's become so common for movies to use mind-blowing special effects and graphics to make up for what might be lacking in plot. Of course I'm all for this myself. That way I'm less likely to fall asleep during even the most boring of movies. Since *The Matrix* is a sci-fi film it can get away with using these awesome special effects. And the special effects crew working these scenes are unquestionably the best in the business.

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Family Values evaluated on CD form

Unquestionably, the band Korn took an enormous risk in creating a hard rock ensemble tour under the title of "Family Values," featuring some of the hardest names to tour under one package.

But to their credit, the tour's first round drew in over 243,000 fans during their 27 show tour in late 1998. In this year, Korn fans will be both delighted as the Family Values tour is slated to go for round two this fall, and disappointed when Korn will be in the studio planning their fourth disc, instead of touring with their brainchild.

Never fear! For just when you thought you'd heard all you could of Korn, Limp Bizkit, Ice Cube, Rammstein, Incubus, and Orgy, along comes the LP from their famed tour, an excellent consolation for those who missed out on the fall festivities.

The CD, recorded during shows in New Orleans, LA and Fairfax, VA, gives listeners a fair simulation of the live show, beginning with part-timers Incubus and building to the headlining Korn. Fans get to listen in on a few on-stage antics, including screaming fans chant "Fuck you, Ice Cube!" to the waiting rapper, and a couple of unreleased tracks.

Disappointedly, the release does not feature the talents of DJ Punk Roc, who interluded the live affair. Instead, the CDs collaborators give us the talents of C-Minus. I actually support the maneuver, but if it was authenticity that the artists were going for, they missed out on this step.



Corey Klein

Release: **Family Values '98**
Artists: **Korn, Limp Bizkit, Ice Cube, Rammstein, Orgy, and Incubus**
Synopsis: **Excellent for a live disc, falls short of simulating the live show.**
Rating: 1/2

It's difficult to find anything to dislike on this disc. Opening with Incubus, the band who played on about half of the tour dates, the band relaxes you with their Primus-like style in *New Skin*.

The CD then takes a turn into Orgy, who entertain the crowd with a three song set, ending with the now MTV anthem *Blue Monday*.

Limp Bizkit steps up to the mike next and well, rather disappoints. The powerhouse lyrics of Fred Durst are almost muted after he tells the audience, "There's not enough people on the floor. There's DEFINATELY not a enough people on the fuckin' floor!"

This incident obviously affected Durst, as he delivers *Cambodia* (previously unreleased), *Faith*, and the former House of Pain's smash *Jump Around*. Those who saw the live concert in Minneapolis will agree that Durst was much more charismatic on stage than this release shows.

But never fear, the parade marches on to Ice Cube, who delivers old school beats from his N. W. A. days before letting the German power plant known as Rammstein take their turn.

The climax of the fiasco is when cult gods Korn take the stage, as the crowd erupts in cheers. The group doesn't disappoint, giving a seven minute cut entitled *Shot Liver Medley* (consisting of *Shoots and Ladders*, *Justin*, *Predictable*, *Ball Tongue*, *Divide*, and *Kill You*) before delivering hits off their latest album.

As for round two of Family Values, Limp Bizkit will headline the tour in Korn's absence, following up their sophomore CD. Due out early this summer, the CD offers some impressive cameos from the likes of Jonathan Davis (Korn), Scott Weiland (Stone Temple Pilots), and even hotshot rapper Eminem. Other acts on the tour are speculated to be Kid Rock and either Outkasts or Naughty by Nature.

As for the CD, it is a must for all Korn/Limp fans and earns a three-and-a-half. This is discounted by the inaccuracy of using Incubus only half the dates and C-Minus instead of DJ Punk Roc.



Photo courtesy of www.korntv.com

Headlining the 1998 Family Values tour, and now CD, is the heralded group Korn. They will miss the 1999 tour to record their fourth release and leave the headlining spot to prodigy group Limp Bizkit.

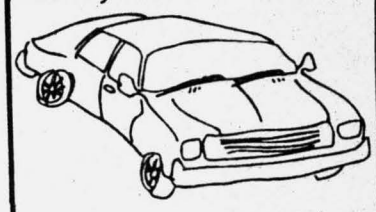
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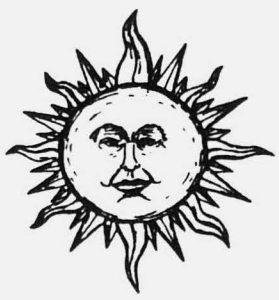
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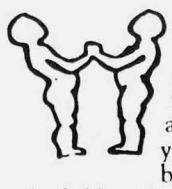
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Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Uh oh. I should have warned you about that. I'm sorry.

Special effects is the answer to *The Matrix*

Anyone who is a big sci-fi fan and loves to mix action with deep thought is sure to be dazzled by the new sci-fi thriller *The Matrix*.

For those special effects gurus who need an appetizer for *The Phantom Menace*, now just one month away, *The Matrix* is guaranteed to tide you over.



Phil Stuetzle

Movie: *The Matrix*

Starring: Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, and Carrie-Ann Moss.

Synopsis: A special effects extravaganza, the film will keep you at the edge of your seat. A great entrance into the summer film season.

Rating: 1/2

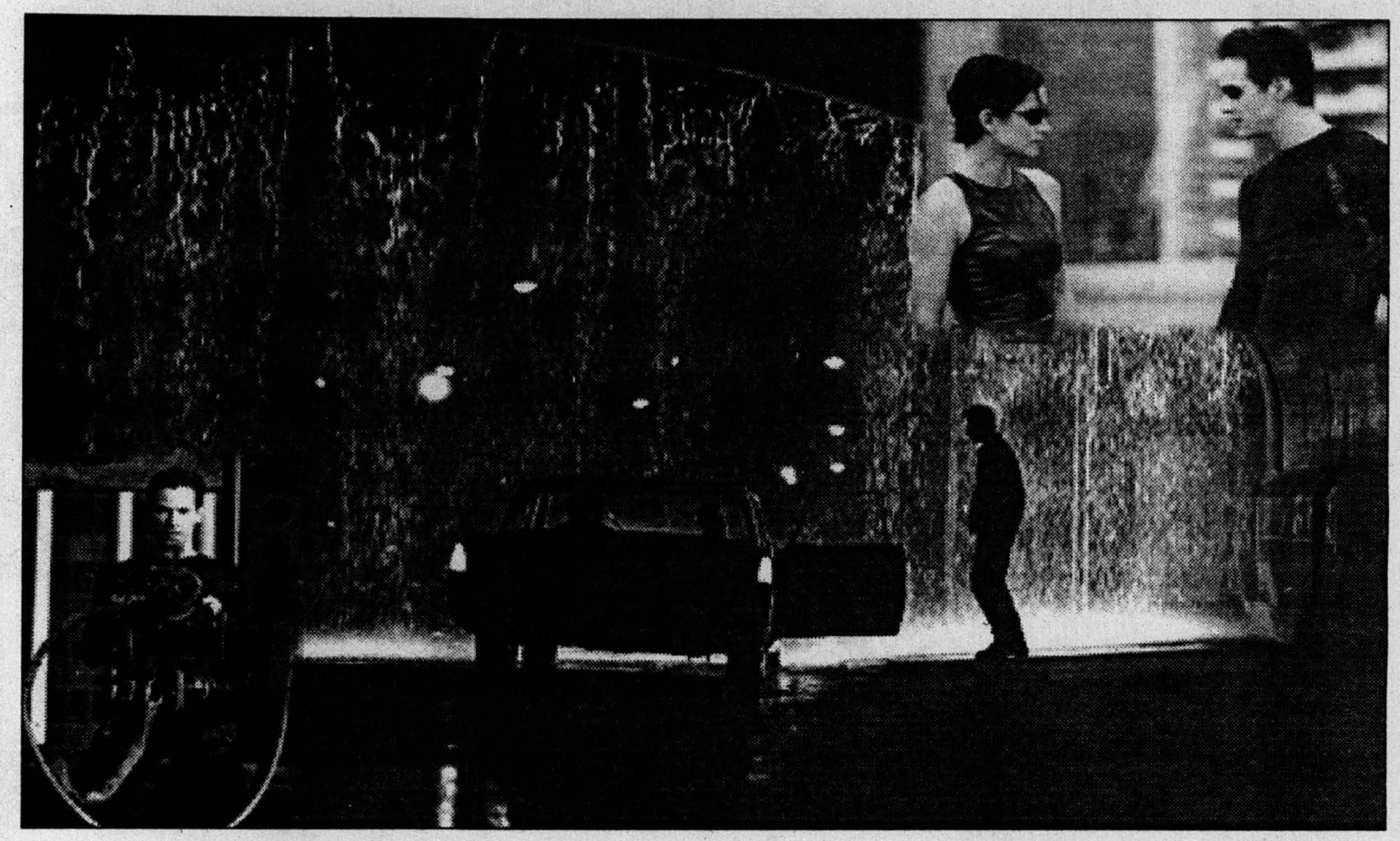


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Ushering in the summer blockbuster films a little early, *The Matrix* opened last weekend. The sci-fi thriller taking place in an unknown future stars Keanu Reeves and Laurence Fishburne. The flick is an excellent option, delivering enough special effects to ignore Reeves' shortcomings in acting.

Just released on Friday, *The Matrix* stars such big names as Keanu Reeves (*Speed*, *Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure*), Laurence Fishburne (*Event Horizon*, *Othello*), and Carrie-Ann Moss. Moss is obviously the newcomer to the crew, but after seeing her dazzling looks and on-cue acting during this film, she's sure to land a few more opportunities for roles in blockbuster films such as this one.

The Matrix is a difficult movie to classify. It has a little of both action and sci-fi, which should remind viewers of such movies as Arnold Schwartzeneggar's *Total Recall* and Fishburne's last effort with *Event Horizon*.

To give you an overview, without ruining the movie's ending, it is set in both the years 1999 and 2199. Due to a massive overtaking, the measurement of time has been lost. Keanu Reeves plays a super hacker dubbed "Neo" that is pursued and recruited by an elite group of people led by "Amorphous," played by Fishburne. Fishburne does an excellent job portraying a near "cult leader" position. This group is out to protect the human race, and has uncovered Neo as their supposed golden boy-messiah.

At this point the movie gets a bit confusing so pay attention. Honestly, I don't think a whole lot of people will be able to follow everything in the plot. My suggestion would be to get as much out of it as possible, and from there just sit back and enjoy the computer graphics and the super cool fight scenes.

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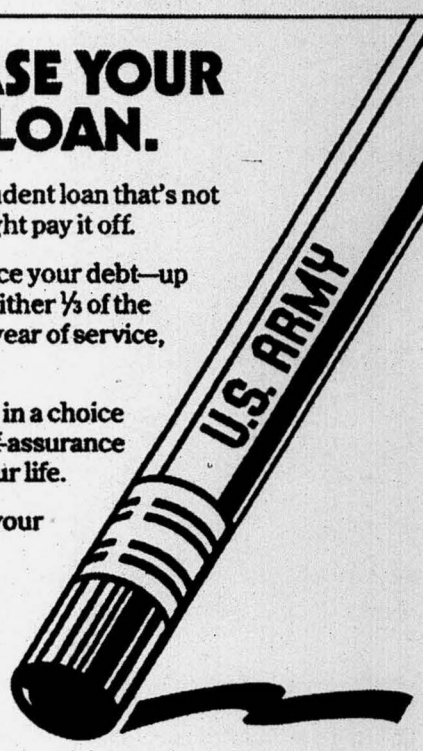
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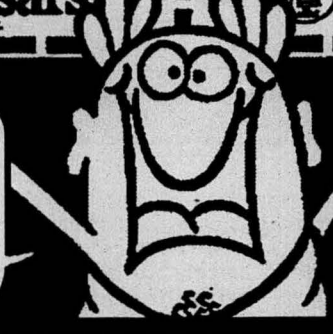
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Psychology Club Brat Fry		10:00am - 8:00pm	Between AF and North Hall
Alpha Phi and Chi Lambada Teeter Totter a Thon		3:00 - 3:00 Sunday	Outside Student Center
AMA Harley Raffle		5:00pm	Log Jam
"Harvey" Play		7:30pm	Harvey Hall
3 Guys Named Ed		7:00pm - 8:00pm	MPR - Fieldhouse
Saturday April 17th			
Alpha Phi and Chi Lambada Teeter Totter a Thon		continues all day	MSC
ADMA Fashion Show		10:00am - 11:00am	Great Hall
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Medieval Marketplace		10:00am - 1:00pm	Outside of Huffs
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	Silent Auction	noon	
	Live Auction:	1:00pm	
Inter Greek Council Olympics		noon	Wakanda Park
Student Best of Design Show		noon - 3:00pm	Furlong Gallery, Micheels hall
Phi Sig Alumni Meeting		noon - 1:30pm	Woods Rooms
Jumping Castle		noon - 4:00pm	Commons
Band and Choir Concert		2:00pm	MPR - Fieldhouse
Medieval Buffet		4:00pm - 6:00pm	Great Hall
"Harvey" Play		7:30pm	Harvey Hall
Puke-N-Snot		8:00pm - 9:00pm	MPR Fieldhouse
Sunday April 18th			
Alpha Phi and Chi Lambada Teeter Totter a Thon		continues until 3:00pm	
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Baseball stretches win streak to four

by Amy Schneider
Sports Editor
and Nick Czaplewski
Staff Reporter

After a disappointing stint of losses over spring break, the Blue Devil Baseball Team showed signs of recovery as they stretched their winning streak to four with wins over Wheaton College last Saturday at the Metrodome.

After losing a pair of close games to St. John's early in the season and butting heads with some tough teams in Florida, the recent trend of wins for the team is fostering some much needed optimism.

"We played everybody," Coach Terry Petrie said of the Florida trip. A grueling schedule against some unfamiliar opponents, including 8 teams who were ranked in the nation's top 25, may have contributed to Blue Devil blunders, but make no mistake that the team has better days on the horizon.

"We have a pretty young team," Petrie said. "We started off very poorly because with a young team comes many no-brainer mistakes." However, after the wins against Wheaton College (IL), Petrie said the team's outlook is optimistic.

Ecstatic may be the more appropriate word, after a 6-1 first game win and 14-5 second game blow out of the Crusaders.

In game one, right-hander Zak Arneson pitched for the complete-game victory, allowing only four singles and two walks while striking out eight Crusaders. In fact, the one Wheaton run that got through was the result of a pair of throwing errors.

Both the second and third bases were lonely during the Crusaders' at bats, visited only one other time each through the entire game.

The Blue Devils, on the other hand, were well acquainted with the bases, as the team made gains of one run in the first inning, four in the second, and one more in the fourth to control the scoreboard. Stout's J.R. Dachel sacrificed to bring home the first-inning run, and singled home a run in the second inning. Catcher Eddie Young slammed in two runs with a double and shortstop Nick Kalina hit another RBI double in the second inning.

Stout's fourth-inning run resulted from consecutive singles by Kalina and left-fielder Tate Cummins and a throwing error by the Crusader catcher while Kalina was attempting a sneak on third base.

In the second game, the Blue Devils totaled 14 runs on 14 hits, five walks, and seven beaned batters.

The Blue Devils nailed Wheaton right-hander Andrew Willson for nine runs and a walk in three innings. In defense, Willson nailed six Stout batters with pitches before leaving in the fourth inning.

The Dachel brothers provided most of the offense in the second game, with J.W. going 4-for-4 with a double, two RBIs and three runs scored, and big brother J.R. going 3-for-4 with three runs scored. Right-fielder and co-captain Andy Guden drove in 3 runs with a two-run single in the first inning and an RBI grounder.

Scott Meyer earned the win from the mound, allowing 6 hits and 4 walks in the first 5 innings. Wheaton's runs came from an RBI by designated hitter Allan Kavelich, two RBIs off of hits by Matt Mears and Cory Wessman, a run on a balk in the 6th inning, and one more to finish off the 7th inning on an RBI ground ball by Wessman.

The Blue Devils will battle St. Thomas in St. Paul this Saturday, then travel a few blocks to take on the Augsburg Auggies on Sunday. Both games start at noon.

The Blue Devils will return to Menomonie on Wednesday, April 13 to host Concordia College of St. Paul at noon. The team also added a home field doubleheader to their schedule on Thursday, April 15 at noon against Martin Luther College.



Photo taken from Stoutonia archives

After posting an even record last year, the Blue Devil Baseball Team is optimistic about weighting their win column this season. A four game winning streak, including a dominating win over Wheaton College, shows that the team has found its niche both on the mound and at bat.

Track Teams on top of Blue Devil Invitational



Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

The Blue Devil Track and Field Teams competed in their own Outdoor Invitational last Friday at Nelson Field. Both teams fared well in the meet, as the Women's Team finished fourth and the Men's Team fell five points behind UW-Eau Claire for second place. *For more results, see Press Box on page 14.*

Region V honors Jacobson with Academic Award

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

Senior Track and Cross-Country runner Katie Jacobson was recently named to the Region V GTE Academic All-Region team. Her fourth place finish at the Division III regional meet in St. Louis this past fall, as well as her exceptional work in the classroom, warranted her naming to the All-Region team.

"This award means a lot to me," Jacobson said of her recent honor, "because it includes academics and athletics." Jacobson, a graduate of Altoona High School of Eau Claire, is a prototype of the term 'student athlete', which has become a rare breed in the past years.

Majoring in family consumer education, Jacobson is currently sporting a 3.7 GPA, not too shabby for someone who is actively involved in Blue Devil athletics nearly year round. To go along with her GPA, she is also a three-time recipient of the Chancellor's Award for academic excellence and is an active member of the Student Athletic Advisory committee.

To speak solely about Jacobson's academic achievements, however, would be an insult to her athletic talents. She has run her way to the Division III National Tournament the past two years in which she placed 6th and 14th, respectively.

Accompanying her two national tournament appearances on the cross-country circuit, Jacobson has amassed some rather impressive records in track events as well. She currently holds the indoor school records for the 600-, 800-, 1000-, and 1500-meter runs. Katie is fairing half as well outdoors, holding on to the 800- and 1500-meter records. Jacobson finished third in the 1500-meter at the Division III indoor national championships in March. She is expected to follow up her third place finish in that race with at least a top five at the outdoor championships later this year and hopefully a shot at the All-American team.

The Women's Track Team competed in their first outdoor event of the spring this past Friday as they hosted the UW-Stout Outdoor Invitational. Jacobson took care of business in the 800-meter with a first place finish. In addition, she ran in the 4x800-meter relay as their squad jaunted to a second place finish in the event. The team is currently rounding off the middle of the pack this year as they chase conference leading UW-La Crosse and UW-Oshkosh.



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Men's Volleyball makes second trip to Nationals

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

The Men's Volleyball Team has had an incredible run this year. Not only did they maintain their position in the top 25 in the nation, but they also ended the year with the best record in the program's twenty-year history. The team finished with a 39-4 match record, and an 84-13 game record.

The team ended the season on a sour note, however. Two of their losses came in the last two matches of the year. They lost to St. Cloud State University for the third time in the Conference Tournament, and again to the University of North Dakota.

The team moved up in the national rankings to 20th and won an automatic birth into the Division II National Championships at the University of Maryland, where they will be making their second appearance at nationals.

The team flew to Maryland last Tuesday and is scheduled to play Thursday through Saturday. The tournament will be played on sixteen courts with more than 135 teams playing. The teams include Division I and Division II teams and a small Women's Division.

Other honors were given to All-Conference picks Justin Crist and Andy Higgins. The two players won the award following their efforts at the Conference Tournament last weekend.

"There are a lot of great players in this conference, and to be selected to the small group is an honor," said Crist, who is a repeat winner of the award.

The team is hoping that their last two losses were not indicative of what is in store for them at the National Tournament. "It's hard to keep a competitive edge in every match this year when we have gone to every tournament and dominated. We aren't a cocky team; we aren't a physically overpowering team. We just go out and do the job," team captain John Haggard said.

The team would like to thank the SSA for its financial contributuins to the trip as well as local sponsors the Depot Café, the Acoustic Café, Fleet Feet and others.

To follow the team's progress in Maryland, log on to the internet at www.nirsa.org/nir14b10.htm

Stout breaks even in Tourney

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

Spring is in the air, but that's not all. The UW-Stout Women's Softball Team is doing its best to give spring some company up there. Last week marked the home opener for our Blue Devils team, and the group performed admirably, coming through with an even record of two wins and two losses on the tournament.

Up from the last tournament in Stevens Point where only one check was recorded in the win column, their season record now stands at 3 and 5, coming in just under the average for the conference. However, things can change very quickly this early in the season, and Stout's team is just starting to show its real potential.

Offensively the Stout women relied on a solid core of consistent hitters during both tourneys. Collectively Janelle Krenze went 6-for-10 during the two wins Stout brought home in last week's contest, and was responsible for 7 R.B.I.s. Tanya Petrie came through with a strong performance during the St. Scholastica game, hitting 3-for-4 with five R.B.I.s, while Cara Fenhouse, who just returned from surgery last week, was able to come up with two home runs. Both coming during different games, they were split between the St. Scholastica and UW-Stevens Point matches. Pitcher Rebecca Zimmerman led from the mound and recorded both wins on the weekend.

The Simpson College Invitational, held March 27 and 28, provided less excitement for Blue Devil fans, but with one win, and another game close when it was called for time, the tournament was not without its highpoints.

The first game, and season opener, was played against tournament host Simpson College. Kelly Espie turned in two R.B.I.'s and was supported by Tanya Petrie who went 2-for-3 with both hits dropping in for doubles. Rounding out the notables was freshman Rebecca Duele who was able to register her first win of the season from the mound. Stout lost its next games to William Penn and St. Ambrose by margins worth forgetting, then came back in their final game against Grand View.

Down early by a score of 12-4, things weren't looking so good for the home team. However the Blue Devils were able to rally and bring the game to within 2 runs before it was called in the fifth inning due to time. Solid performances were turned in by Petrie, who hit 3-for-3 on the night, as well as Espey, Beth Patterson, and Jill Tetu, who all hit 2-for-3.

Head Coach Chris Stainer reported high confidence in her young athletes. "Our hitting really came around in Iowa, but we lost games because we weren't strong defensively. We were able to post a couple of wins last week because that's changing. We can put together a win on both sides of the ball now," she said.

The Blue Devil Softball Team will take to the field again this weekend, April 10 and 11 during the UW-Stevens Point tournament. Their next home game will be Tuesday April 13 versus UW-Superior at 3 p.m.

Hoops awards abound

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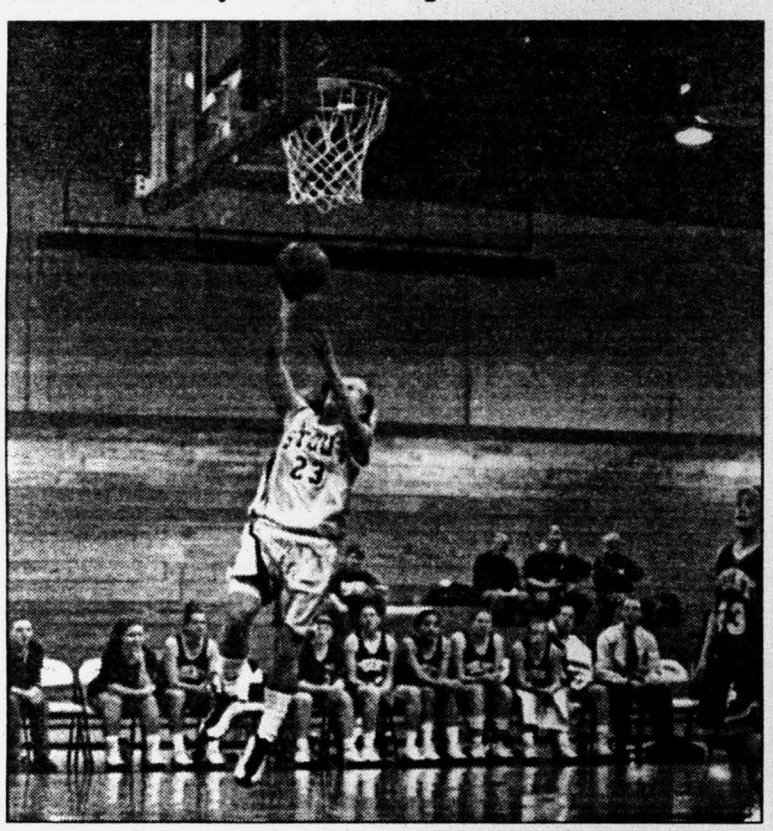


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Rachel Traynor took home honors as the Women's Team MVP and was named to the All-Conference Basketball Team.

Two of Stout's leading scorers were named as honorable mention members of the All-WIAC Men's Basketball Team. Jeremy Preston repeated the honor while Ben Kuepers was a first-time pick.

Preston led the Blue Devils in scoring from beginning to end, finishing the season with 16.9 points overall. He was also the team's leading 3-point shooter and an 84 percent free throw shooter.

Kuepers was one of the top rebounders and shot-blockers in the WIAC, finishing second in both categories. He averaged 8.9 rebounds and 1.63 blocked shots per game.

Rachel Traynor was named to the All-WIAC Women's Basketball Team for the second consecutive season, while teammates Shannon Berg and Heather Peterson were named as honorable mentions.

Traynor finished second on the team in scoring,with 12.7 points, and ranked 11th in conference games. She scored a career-high 31 points Feb. 13 against UW-Superior.

Berg led Stout in scoring with 13.8 points and five rebounds per game. She shot 72 percent from the free throw line and was third in the league in 3-point field goals.

Peterson returned to the Blue Devils after a year off and proved to be tough under the boards, pulling down a team-high 5.7 rebounds. She was also second on the team in steals with 56 and third in assists with 52.

Stout's Basketball Teams also doled out team honors last week. Preston repeated as the Men's Team's Most Valuable Player while Kuepers and Jeremy Leibfried received the Team Leadership awards. Pat Von Feldt was named Most Improved Player and Scott Klimek was the team's Newcomer of the Year. Andy Myers and Dave Loewe were recognized for their outstanding academic performances.

Traynor was named the Women's Basketball Most Valuable Defensive and All-Around Player while Berg and Peterson shared the award for Most Valuable Offensive Player. Amy Zellinger was named Rookie of the Year and Tina Gillen picked up the team's Most Improved award.

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Women's Track and Field

Jennifer Turner set her third school record as she cracked the UW-Stout record for the hammer throw at the UW-Stout Outdoor Invitational Friday, April 2 at Nelson Field.

Turner hoisted the hammer 131 feet, 4 inches to place third in the event, breaking the record she set last spring by more than 11 feet.

Michelle Abramczak captured her first win in the 400-hurdles with a time of 69.55 seconds. Katy Olsen placed first in the 3000-meter run while teammates Katie Kuffel and Amy Arndt finished third and fourth.

The Schwabenlender sisters scored in five events with Andi taking fourth in the high jump and Jamie placing in several events, including third place in the pole vault.

Stout finished fourth in the 11-team event. The team returns to action Saturday, April 10 in St. Paul at the University of St. Thomas Invitational.

Men's Track and Field

Jamie Buchholtz, Billy Busch, and Tim Hamill took first places and the UW-Stout 4 x 400 and 4 x 800 relay teams also captured firsts to bring the Blue Devils to finish second at their home invitational last Friday.

Buchholtz continued to dominate the field in the pole vault with a jump of 15 feet, 4.25 inches. Busch captured the 400-meter dash in a time of 49.07 seconds to hold off second-place finisher and teammate John Boldt. Hamill set a facility record in the 3000-meter steeplechase, cruising the field in 9:16.50, more than 40 seconds ahead of his second place opponent. He was commended for his performance with the WIAC Men's Track Athlete of the Week award.

The Blue Devils return to action this Saturday when they participate in the St. Thomas Invitational.

Women's Tennis

The Blue Devils picked up their first win of the 1998-99 season as they handed Northwestern College (MN) an 8-1 decision Friday, March 26 at Johnson Fieldhouse.

Lauren Mader, Molly Litchfield, and Jenny Anderson all picked up straight set wins in singles. Jodi Anderson came back after dropping her first game at No. 4 singles to win 4-6, 6-4, 7-3. None of the Blue Devil doubles teams were seriously threatened.

Stout continues its spring schedule Friday, April 16, when they host Martin Luther College at 3:30 p.m.

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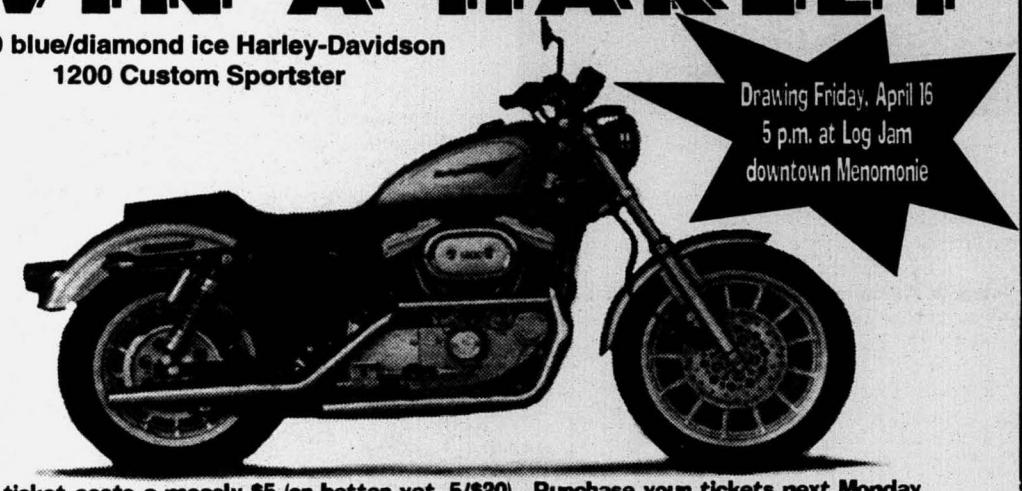
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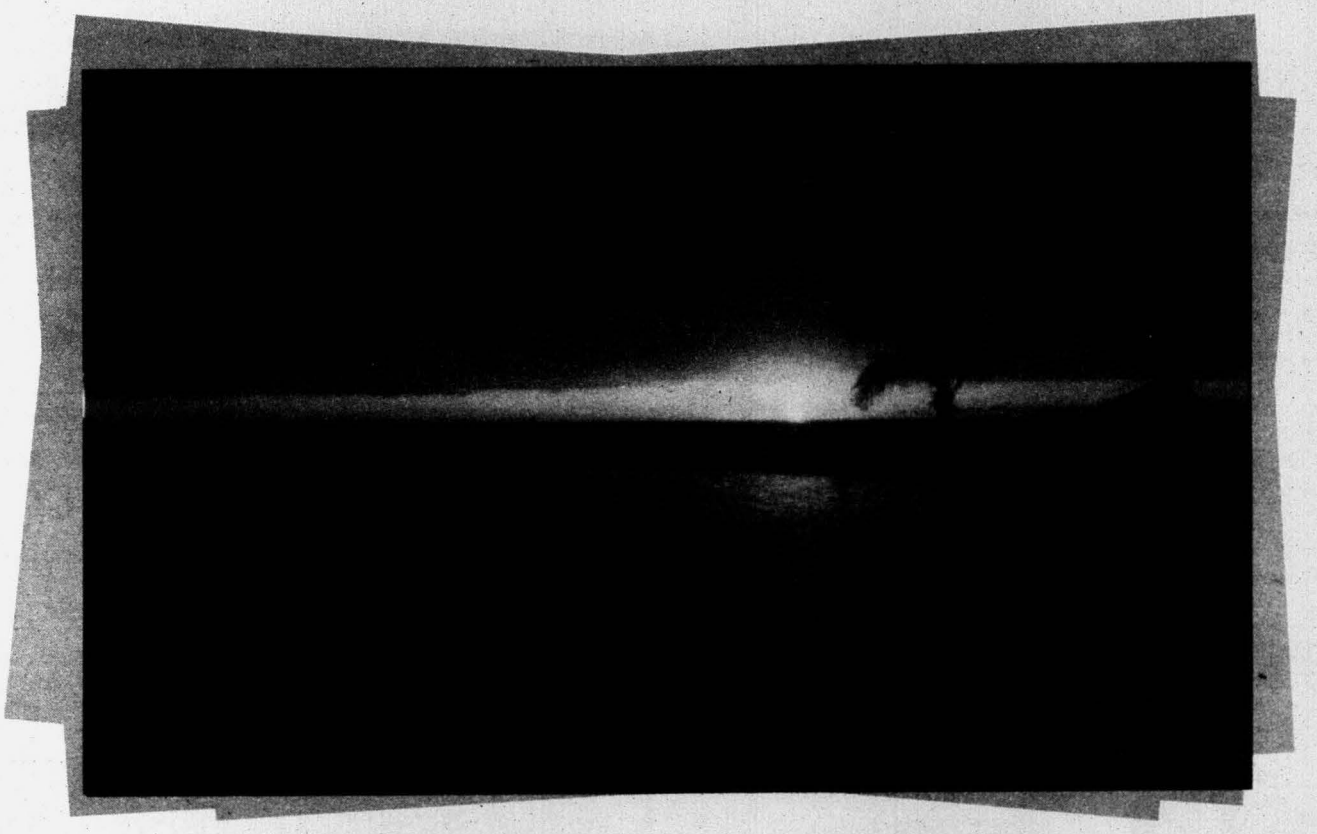
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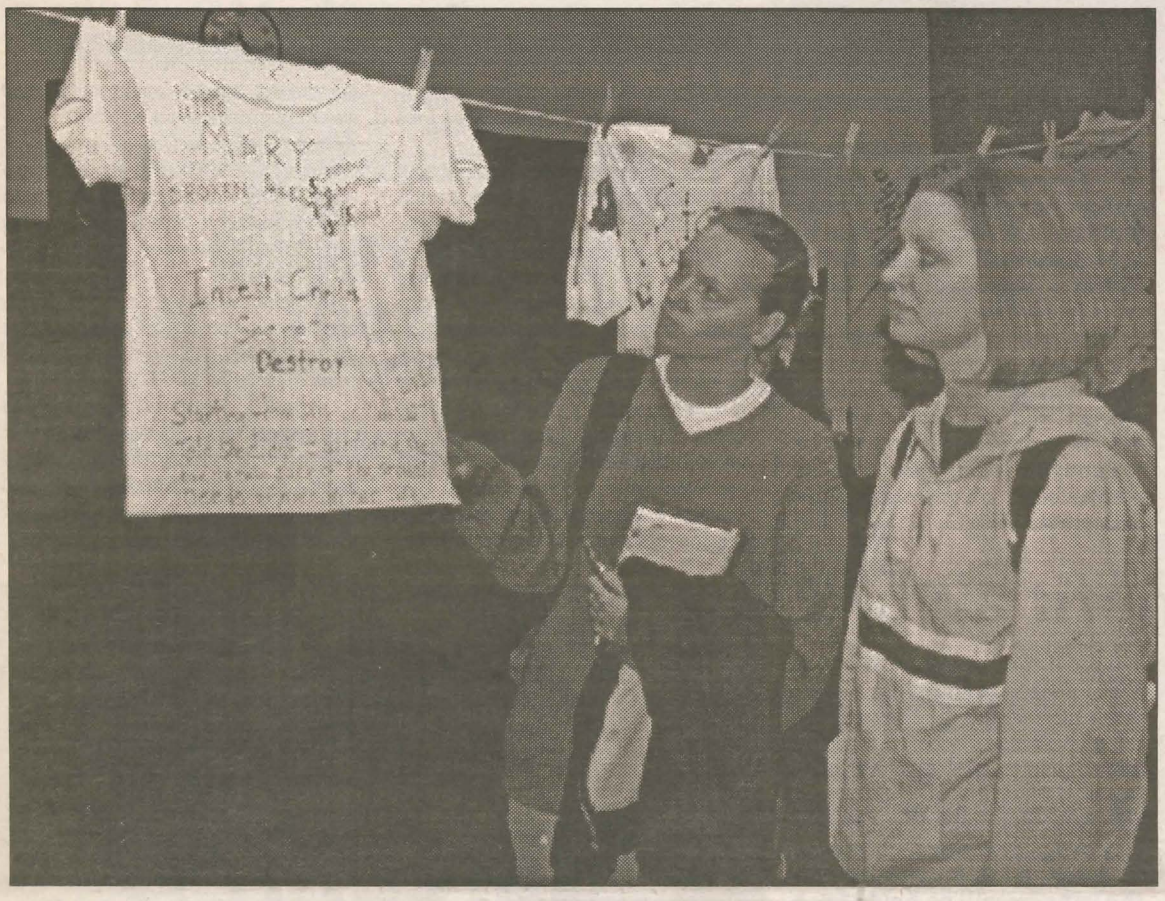


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Assistant Photography Editor*

The Clothesline Project, a national event, was held on Tuesday in the Great Hall. Paint and markers on the T-shirts told stories of incest, rape, murder, and domestic violence. The work was authored by abusers, victims, or others in memory of those who have died.

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

For all the innocent children who cannot tell they were touched...by daddy, big brother, cousin, the baby-sitter, the neighbor, mommy, coach, minister; these were all the people they loved, knew, and trusted and on April 13 the silence was broken.

The Clothesline Project, acknowledging all those who have survived abuse, premiered at UW-Stout's Great Hall.

This nationwide event was brought to campus through the collective efforts of the Counseling Center, Affirmative Action, Residence Life, Involvement and Leadership offices, Physical Education and Athletics Department, and The Bridge to Hope in Menomonie.

The Clothesline Project began in 1990 with 31 shirts displayed on the village green in Hyannis, Mass. as a part of an annual "Take Back the Night" march and rally. Throughout the day, women came forward to create new shirts for each victim of abuse and the line kept growing.

It now includes dozens of projects nationlly and internationally. The project held here originated from a woman in Lacrosse wanting to bear witness to violence against women locally. The Clothesline now appears at universities throughout Wisconsin.

Patrick Shepard, who works with the Clothesline, said they hope this project will be an annual one at Stout.

One student, who wished to remain anonymous, credits Clothesline with making her finally speak of her own abuse. "Having this project every year would be a great idea. Little do many know the great impact seeing the Clothesline has on some. Seeing the survivors' shirts last year in Lacrosse made me break the silence, and seeing the shirts of some that weren't so lucky made me glad I am a survivor."

The project does not exclude men. Anybody can make a shirt in honor of a friend, family member, acquaintance, or even a stranger. For all who have been abused, this project has offered a means to be heard.

Throughout the Memorial Student Center, audible reminders of abused women were present. A gong was struck every 14 seconds, each time a woman is abused in the United States. A whistle was blown to indicate the rape of a woman every minute of every day. Finally, a bell sounded to announce the 3 or 4 women that die from abuse each day.

Not only were the sound effects symbolic, but the T-shirts were also color coded to depict what kind of abuse was suffered- rape, incest, battery, or death.

For more information on the Clothesline Project or to join, they can be reached at 842-5663 or on their web site: http://clothesline.org

Notable changes in Family Weekend

by Jeremiah Townsend,
Staff Reporter
Nicole Heckmann,
Editor-in-Chief

Think Family Weekend sounds boring? Some of UW-Stout's largest organizations are working to change this and assure that theis year will stand out from the rest. Two notable changes will come this year, including a gay pride parade and an entirely new sound from Bash on the Grass.

Gay Pride Week will kick off on Sunday with a gay pride march entitled "Diversity is our strength". Professional drag queens from Minneapolis will appear for a drag show extravaganza.

"Stout seems very hostile to gay students and they really need something like this march and Gay Pride Week," Tracy Benson, Stout Student Association, said.

Yet a number of students have expressed that Gay Pride Week and the march is not the issue, it is holding the events this weekend, which is designated for families, that is disturbing.

"It seems risky having it on Family Weekend, because my parents, and probably some others, are conservative and this might give them a very bad impression of Stout," said Kyle Clemins, a Stout student.

Not to be outdone, FYE members scrambled this semester to arrange an entirely new, and entirely unique, band lineup for Bash on the Grass.

Twin Cities hip hop group Rhyme Sayers Entertainment feturing guests The Battlecats was booked by Kevin Hayes, a FYE member who knows a breakdancer for the group. Also from FYE is the group Shangoya's, featuring reggae and salsa songs. The alternative group Tremorphlo, booked by CMP, will also headline the event.

Kristin Harter, special events coordinator for FYE, said they aimed to make this year's music as diverse as possible.

"We wanted to choose three different types of bands that could appeal to more students and make Bash on the Grass more successful," she said.

Bash will close out the weekend, playing on Sunday from 1:00 until 5:00 p.m. in the South Mall area. Games and free food (while it lasts) are included.

Also on Sunday is a men's baseball doubleheader, a women's softball doubleheader, an Auto Club auto show, and the comedy group from the Renaissance Festival, Puke-N-Snot.

Things to do on Friday include a "*Harvey*" play (held in Harvey Hall), AMA Harley raffle, and a student-run Best of Design show, among others.

The "Medieval Times in '99" weekend will feature many other activities, games, entertainment and cookouts, including a medieval buffet, brat fry, and "dirt cheap auction".

Please see page 7 for a Family Weekend calendar of events.

Detours ahead for drivers



Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

Crescent Street remodeling began last week, blocking off an entire route to northbound Broadway Avenue and backing up Main Street traffic.

The project, aimed at enhancing the look of Crescent Street, began April 5 and won't let up until the fall semester.

The corner of Main and Crecent Street is being torn up to replace old gaslines, storm sewers, and the water main. Along the new road, a bicycle path with historic lighting will be created to eventually go around Lake Menomin. New brick pavement and widened sidewalks will also be added.

Main Street Menomonie is responsible for the project. The group formed for the promotion and ecomomic development of Menomonie.

During the Crescent Street work, Lake Bank, located between 4th and 6th street, will also be reconstructed to provide recreation area. "Native flowers and reforested areas are going to look lovely," Marilyn Tye, the Executive Director of Main Street Menomonie, said.

The section being worked on now is part of Phase 1 and is scheduled to be finished June 12. The next phase will begin immediately after the completion of the first one and last until August 21. During the second stage of construction, traffic will be detoured to 13th Avenue, which runs past the Fine Arts building and South Hall.

"The real problems may come up in mid June when the street running through campus is used as a detour. Hopefully, with the decreasing number of students, there won't be too much trouble," Assistant Chief Chris Langlois of the Menomonie Police Department said. Temporary traffic lights have been installed to promote safety.

Speed limits around the construction areas are still posted at 25 m.p.h., but Langlois suggests cautious driving. "It's a little scary at first, but as time passes people should get used to it."

Class number crunching

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

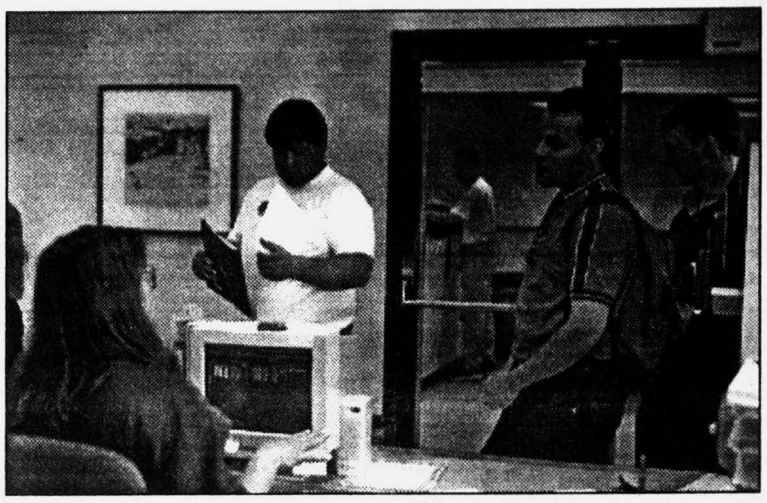


Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Just when we're able to understand the course catalog, the rules have changed. But the change is for the better, within time.

Starting with the fall course catalog for 1999, all pre-existing course numbers have been changed to three or four letter course subject headings and a section number. Don't bother trying to use the now extinct old system, because it won't work in the Registration and Records office.

The new number system was created to make it easier to locate courses and more understandable for transfer students who must know what courses relate to ones previously taken. Ultimately, new numbering will also be useful when the option for over-the-phone and on-line registering occurs.

Stout, the last of UW schools to adopt the new course numbers, is now up to speed.

Julie Furst-Bowe, Assistant Vice Chancellor, said, "I don't know historically why it took so long to get up to speed with the other universities, but with the change it will now make it easier for new registration purposes that will hopefully occur in the next year."

Students registering seemed a little confused at first, Registration and Records reported, but when looking for certian courses, students seemed pleased with the ease of the system.

One student commented that, "As long as you fill out all the information needed for registration, the process is still a snap."

Transcripts will be easier to read by students and other universities because they have the same numbering system as Stout does now. The new system has also cleaned up the confusion of co-op classes, field experiences, and graduate programs. The numbers are each different so graduate students will sign up for a different course section than undergraduate students.

The change in the numbering may be a little confusing at first, but the system is said to be more efficient and compliant with other UW universities, and will be easier to use when the option for phone and on-line services become available.

Stout creates major under high demand

by Christine Schefers
Staff Reporter

Ever expanding its offerings to students, UW-Stout has created yet another major.

Applied Communications promises great jobs whose demand is quickly growing. Those with degrees in this major can command great new jobs that are fast becoming high in demand.

Major publications have recognized the success of such a major. An applied communications career is listed among the twenty hottest jobs for 1999 in a recent issue of U.S. News and World Report and listed eighteenth of the one hundred hot jobs in Money magazine.

The program is a combination of technology and communication with an emphasis in writing and design, as well as sound and graphics. Graduates can find jobs writing informational pamphlets, manuals, and even online software found on websites.

Companies such as 3M, Toro, medical device fields, banks and credit unions are already employing these majors. The fields of work are diverse, but so is the education of an applied communicator. Students in the program will be exposed to other academic fields such as construction, hospitality and tourism, and international business.

According to English professor Bruce Maylath, such a major is needed here. "There is little opportunity for communications here at Stout, which focuses mostly on technical aspects. Applied communications is a growing field that is becoming a hot career. The major will make Stout a unique school, since it will be the first to offer such a broad program."

Maylath mentioned a few other colleges, the University of Minnesota and UW-Eau Claire included, who have the similar program of technical writing, but it is usually not offered as a major, nor does it expose the student to a wide variety of areas.

"Our students will study different fields to enrich themselves with the knowledge of what they may have to write about on the job someday," he said.

Graduates in Applied Communications can also expect a competitive salary. Salaries can range from $36,000 to as high as $55,000.

Applied Communications appeals to the creative, multi-talented student who enjoys writing, designing, and working with multimedia. It is aimed at those who love to create, and above all, communicate.

College develops new merit award

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

The College of Human Development recently developed a new award recognizing outstanding students in the program. "Student of the Year" highlights those that have stood out in both academics and the community.

The award will be given to graduate and undergraduate students in each program. One award will be given to a graduate student and several to undergrads, based on the size of their program, according to Dr. Judith Jax, a member of the committee who developed the award.

To be considered for the Student of the Year award, certain criteria must be met. In addition, a student will be considered for the award only if nominated by a professor or program director in their program. For those who qualify, a letter explaining the award will be sent to them.

Award Criteria

- Overall GPA of 3.0 or more
- Demonstration of outstanding work in both curricular and co-curricular activities
- Leadership in class discussions and in the classroom itself
- Contribution to a UW-Stout student organization
- Classification of "S" for undergraduate students, based on credits accumulated

These students can then choose whether or not they want to compete for the student of the year award. If they continue, students are expected to complete a questionnaire which will determine who the final recipient of the award is in each program. Judging will be done by students on the Advisory Council, with faculty overseeing the decisions.

A recognition ceremony for the winners will be held May 6 at 3:30 p.m. Location for the recognition award ceremony has not yet been determined. Awards will be presented by Dr. John Wesolek, Dean of the College of Human Development.

This award, which was modeled after the "Outstanding Teacher Award" at Stout, is hoped by its creators to become an annual event.

According to Jax, the Student of the Year award helps students to gain recognition and is a "wonderful idea."





Police *Beat*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Forgery

A female student reported that two checks were removed from her checkbook without her knowledge or permission by a person(s) unknown to her and at an unknown time and date. She notified her bank of the theft. One check was cashed and cleared the bank. There are no suspects.

Fire alarm/false alarm

An officer, the Menomonie Fire Department, and an electrician were dispatched to the Applied Arts building to handle a faulty smoke detector that was sounding. After fixing the alarm, it again went off, at which time the electrician was called. The building was declared safe after the long ordeal.

Disorderly conduct

A report was made April 8 that two male subjects shot a speed gun and then ran into North Hall. An officer was dispatched but not able to locate them.

Emergency medical service

Officers and MFD responded to a report of a student having a diabetic emergency in Harvey Hall. Upon arrival, they found the student alert and responsive. She did not fall and was not injured. The student was escorted to the Health Center and returned home.

Citations

For the week of April 5-11, three underage drinking citations were issued.



News *Briefs*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield and Corey Klein

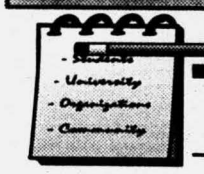
Heisman home up for grabs

The downtown athletic club, home of the original Heisman trophy which is awarded each year to the top college football player, is in jeopardy of losing its foothold. The club, once prestigious, has faded from former glory. In a last-ditch effort to save the club from bankruptcy, a hotel may be erected on top of the 35 story building.

Kevorkian sentenced to 10-25

Dr. Jack Kevorkian was convicted of second-degree murder on Tuesday in the death of Thomas Youk. Age 52, Youk suffered from Lou Gehrig's disease. Kevorkian videotaped the death and then turned the tape over to "60 Minutes" last November. Kevorkian had been practicing without a medical license when he injected lethal drugs into Youk. Judge Jessica Cooper based her decision on the law and Kevorkian's own statements that he would break the law again. At the sentencing hearing, Youk's wife and younger brother addressed the court on behalf of the "death doctor."

An appeal hearing in court is set for April 22.



University *Notes*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield from submitted news releases

Harvey

The play *Harvey* by Mary Chase will be held in the Harvey Hall Theatre April 16-19. Advance tickets can be purchased at the Service Desk for $4 or one hour before the play begins in the box office for $5. The play times for the 16th, 17th, and 19th will be at 7:30 p.m., and at 2:00 p.m. on the 18th.

Dirt Cheap Auction

On Saturday, April 17 in the Crystal Ballrooms of the Student Center, an auction will take place. Registration is at 11:00. The silent auction begins at noon, and the live one begins at 1:00. There will be free popcorn and raffles. Seventy packages can be bid on.

SSA positions open

The following appointed positions for SSA are currently open for the 1999-2000 school year: Vice President, Organizational Affairs, Public Relations, Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs Directors, as well as several senator positions. Applications can be picked up at the SOC Desk, Service Desk, or on the door to the SSA office. They are due by 5:00 p.m. on April 23.

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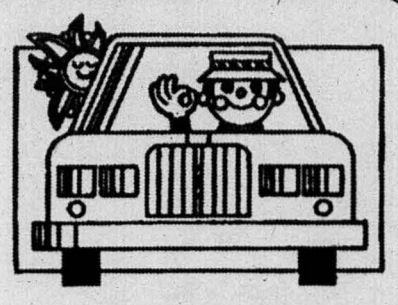
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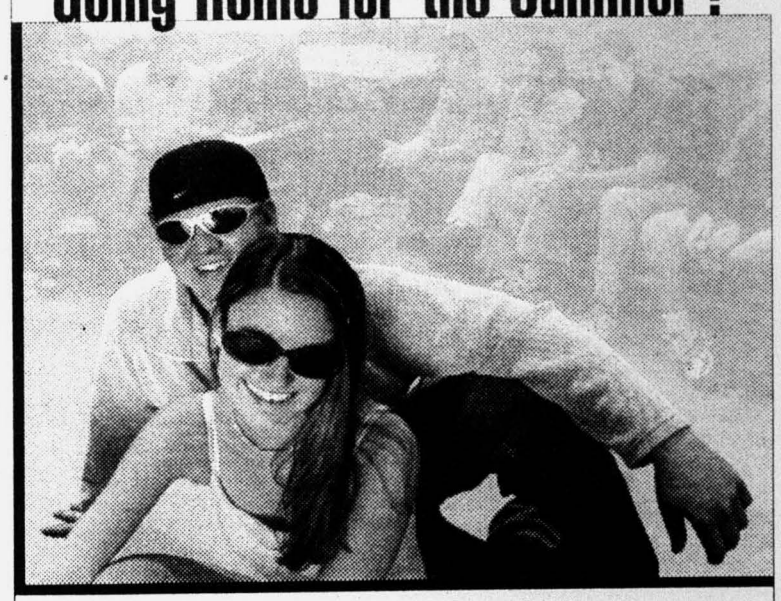
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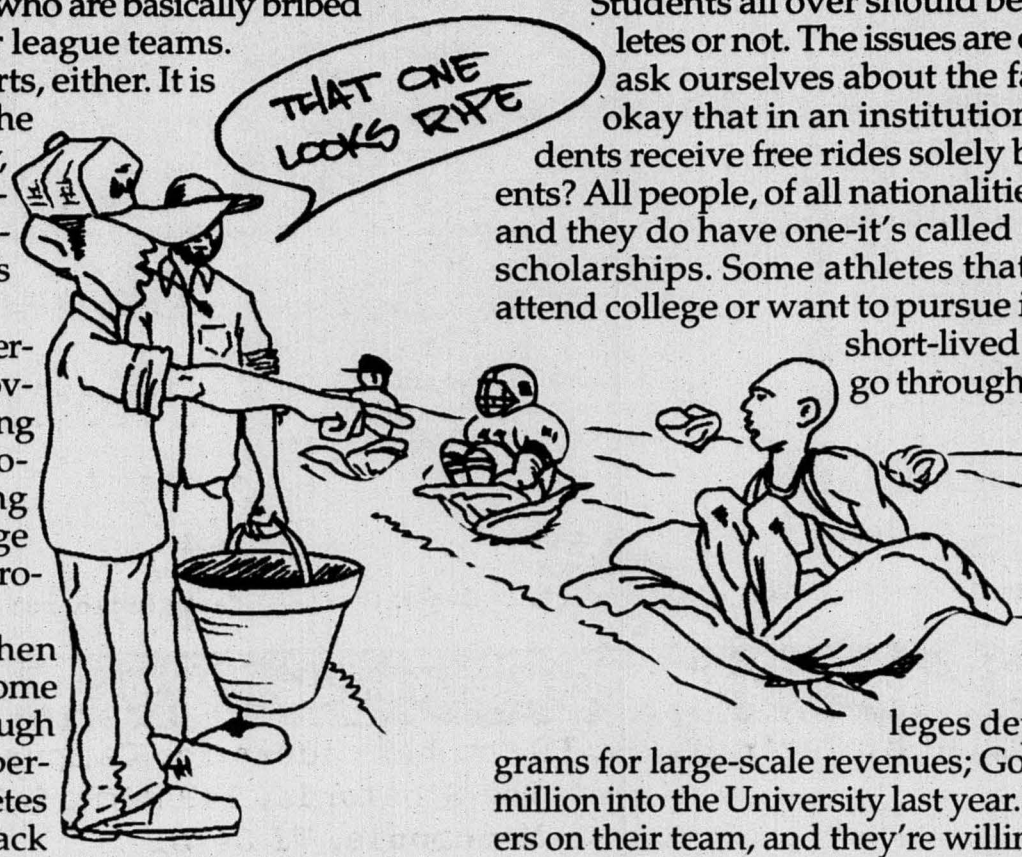
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Editorial

Reaping what we sow

Athletes and academic staff at the University of Minnesota are accused of exploiting the educational system, yet little is being said of a greater and longstanding exploitation by colleges of their student athletes who are basically bribed to perform for profitable minor league teams.

This is not about college sports, either. It is about the Division I teams, in the spirit of a sports-hungry society, who essentially manufacture athletes for the big time. The real victims here seem to be the students and athletes.



Among his few intelligent utterances since his time in office, Governor Ventura said we are putting undue pressure on young people who are not ready or willing for college, but must play college sports in order to make it into professional teams. So true.

But Ventura was wrong when he claimed the issue to be that some athletes are simply not smart enough to cut it in college. Rather than perpetuate the stereotype that athletes are slow or in particular that black youngsters can achieve no more, we must look at the incredible feats expected of college athletes. They are placed in top notch universities, places where much of the population could not (or would not want to) academically survive. They have little choice in the matter when the same institutions that produce lawyers and physicians also produce some of the top professional players in our country.

Students all over should be concerned about this, athletes or not. The issues are complicated, but we should ask ourselves about the fairness of this system. Is it okay that in an institution dedicated to equity, students receive free rides solely based on their physical talents? All people, of all nationalities, deserve a shot at college and they do have one-it's called academic and need-based scholarships. Some athletes that never had aspirations to attend college or want to pursue it separate from their often short-lived sports careers are forced to go through the motions of being a college student. Meanwhile colleges are coming up short on non-athletic scholarships.

Why must there be athletic scholarships? Money may be at root here, as Division I colleges depend on their athletic programs for large-scale revenues; Gopher basketball pulled $6.6 million into the University last year. Colleges want the best players on their team, and they're willing to pay for them, but have been completely unable to face a changing playing field. What was once merely college students exploring their athletic talents is now a multi-million dollar fiasco where colleges are being used

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Letters

Dear Editor,

Why is it that I see daily pictures of burning villages, refugees, and massacre victims in Kosovo and no pictures at all of Kurdish victims of far worse atrocities in Turkey? There are hundreds of thousands of Kurdish refugees. Their villages have been bombed and strafed by Turkish helicopters and jets, supplied by the United States.

Why are the Albanian separatists treated as freedom fighters in the U.S. media, while the Kurdish guerrillas are called terrorists? Why is an independent Kosovo deemed good and an independent Kurdistan bad?

The media coverage reminds me of the situation MIT professor Noam Chomsky describes in his book, Manufacturing Consent. Chomsky points out that extensive coverage was given to enemy atrocities in Cambodia, while simultaneously there was a near complete blackout of coverage of U.S.-supported atrocities in East Timor.

There is a logical explanation for the fact that a superpower like the United States is willing to use its air force in support of a guerrilla army. After the Soviet Union and most of Eastern Europe went capitalist, only one socialist state remained, Yugoslavia. Therefore, the breakup of Yugoslavia was very important to the United States and other capitalist countries.

The Kurdish guerillas are leftist in political orientation. The last thing the United States would want to see in the oil-rich Middle East would be a socialist Kurdistan.

The prime motivating factor of U.S. foreign policy is the preservation of capitalism and enhancement of corporate power and profits. The tender concern expressed by government officials and the media for refugees and victims of atrocities is for public consumption only.

Sincerely,
Gary Sudborough
California Resident

P.S. The recent seizure by the Serbian government of ICN Pharmaceuticals is a real aggravating factor that makes me think bombing will take place. The seizure of a capitalist's property is a definite no-no!

Dear Editor,

Just an overdue note to say I really appreciate the quality of articles in **the Stoutonia**. As a non-traditional graduate student, I enjoy reading the articles in the **Stoutonia.**

I think Chloe Hopkins does an excellent job as a staff columnist. She has a great sense of humor.

I also like the ORG files. It is a great way to learn about the groups on campus. Keep up the great work!

-A satisfied student

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Irish bloodshed not over

Jamie Dean was born in Luton, England to immigrant parents. He has traveled and studied in both the northeast and southern coast of the U.K. as well as traveling and working in Europe. He is now at UW-Stout.

Jamie Dean
Columnist

In Northern Ireland there are fears that the IRA cease-fire may soon come to an end, in consequence of the stalemate troubling the Northern Ireland parliament at Stormont.

Sinn Fein has reiterated that the IRA will not be prepared to surrender their weapons until the parliament is in progress, but their opposition, the Ulster Unionists, have made it clear that they will not commence until disarmament is well underway.

Like the conflicts between ethnic factions in other parts of Europe, the feud between the distinct Catholic and Protestant communities in the province has reached new extremes in bloodshed and fatalities during the last thirty years.

Events will continue to scar the minds and bodies of the population long after solution is reached.

It is easy to blame British colonialism for instigating the problem in the first place, by trying to suppress the Irish nationality through the British domination of the island that ended earlier this century with independence and the formation of the Irish republic.

This fact though is of little use when you consider that Protestant Irishmen have been born and have died in the North for nearly four hundred years. They cannot simply be deported to Britain; they have a right to their lives and lands in Ireland.

In Northern Ireland there are four counties that were retained in the United Kingdom following the secession, containing a British Protestant majority, many of whom wish to retain the strong links with England, Scotland and Wales under the Union.

Many of those who had breathed a sigh of relief after hearing of the IRA cease-fire will be biting their nails in anticipation of the events in the coming months.

There were very few who thought the formation of the first Northern Ireland parliament would be easy, but as it stands, the government has yet to sit one session.

Talk of "no compromises" and dialogues interrupted by politicians walking out of meetings really does not help anyone; everyone is going to have to compromise and give a little if the arranged government is to work.

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Campus Slant

As very few Stout students could articulate the sound of one hand clapping, we asked a question that all students were sure to know.

Taking the pulse of the campus

What's the best pickup line you've heard or used?



"What do you say we get a 6-pack and go back to my place and f***. Or don't you drink?"

Jeff Schuppe
Senior
GCM



"I can't find my friend, can I stay at your house?"

Mary Vandenhoek
Senior
Early Childhood Ed.



"Do you use windex to wash your clothes, because I can see myself in your pants."

John Salow
Sophomore
Marketing Education



"You remind me of a prize bass- I don't know whether to eat you or mount you."

Monica Orr
Junior
Early Childhood Ed.



"I own a camaro and a mobile home. Where else you gonna go?"

Todd Demerit
Senior
Packaging

Next Week's Question: "Will Bob Dole's Viagra commercials affect his wife's presidential campaign?"

Campus Slant is compiled by Kevin Hayes. If you have ideas for Campus Slant, send them to:
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Reaping

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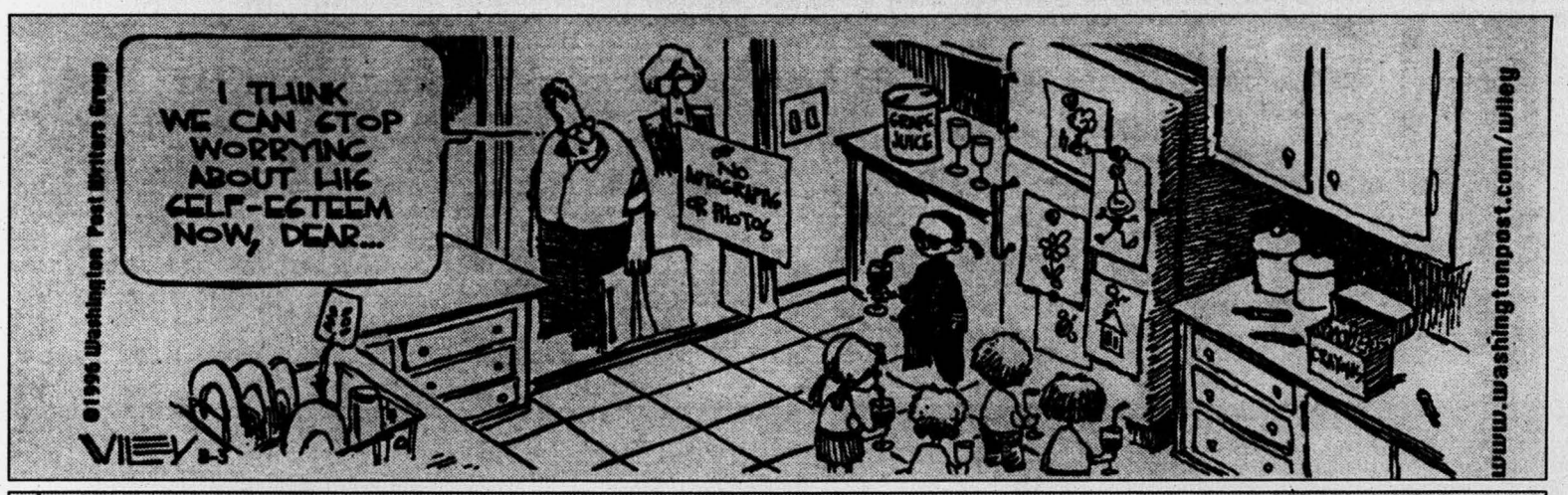
as training camp.

This is not to say all college athletes have major league stars in their eyes, as many succeed in both roles. Hoorah for them, but not all athletes have the same fervor for secondary education. Perhaps they should, but that's not the issue. We must concern ourselves with the one overriding goal of universities: to educate. This is clearly not the goal of professional sports, and understandably so. We are fervently trying to combine two sets of values and goals that simply won't mesh.

The reality is that student athletes too often have noticeably low GPA's and in order to stay within the ridiculously unrealistic rules, they are cheating.

Some have claimed that student athletes should be able to handle the rigors of balancing classes and extracurricular activities just as a chemistry student works part time and chairs a student committee. But we're talking about athletes being farmed for future performances in the big leagues - this means long and frequent grueling practices, extensive road tripping to games, and the strain of trying to practice as often as possible to meet the demands of recruiters. Physical exertion of this sort is a whole other field than a late-night job at Pizza Hut, and it's unrealistic to expect these athletes to then be attentive in class.

Rather than berating athletes failing to live up to all we ask, why not consider basketball and football minor league systems to accompany NCAA programs? We need to ask more of professional sports and college programs this time, and not from the students or athletes.





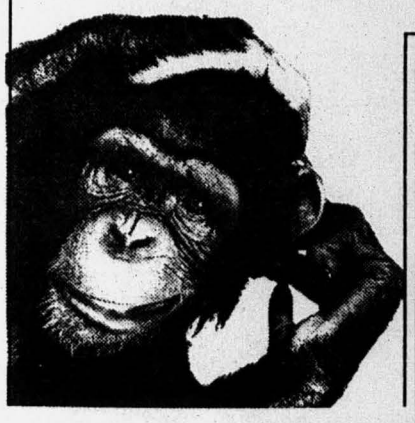


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Tied for remembrance

by Sarah Blarek
Staff Reporter

Curious about the yellow ribbons tied around trees on campus? The ribbons, placed by the UW-Stout Veteran's Club, are there to recognize and show support for the three American individuals detained by Slobodan Milosevic's Serb forces. The three soldiers, Staff Sergeant Christopher Stone, Staff Sergeant Andrew Ramirez, and Specialist 4 Steven Gonzales, were captured on March 31 in Macedonia.

"We want to show support for people doing their job, and recognize that there are ongoing U.S. operations overseas, not just in Yugoslavia. People need to know that these troops are doing their jobs, it's not their choice to be in these conflicts. We all need to show support for friends and family overseas by writing them and doing other things to demonstrate that we support their work. There are some former Stout students over there and some that will come to Stout after their service is up," Jonathan Ruman, a member of the Veteran's Club, said.

The three soldiers were on reconnaissance patrol together when they were captured. According to the Yugoslavian military, they had crossed into Yugoslavia before their detainment. NATO said their exact location was uncertain. According to some, the boarders are unclear in that area. However, it seems the troops were captured outside the war area. According to recent reports, the three will be tried by the Serbs.

One Stout student praised the yellow ribbons around campus. "The idea of the ribbons is cool because most people overlook this type of issue. What if that's your dad out there? We could be there just as easily. It's chance. I think the ribbons are definitely a good gesture," Scott Dereschuk, said.

The Veteran's Club is open to any Stout student or faculty member that is a veteran of the Armed Services, Reservists, or National Guard. The club meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Huff's Gallery. For more information, call 232-2121.

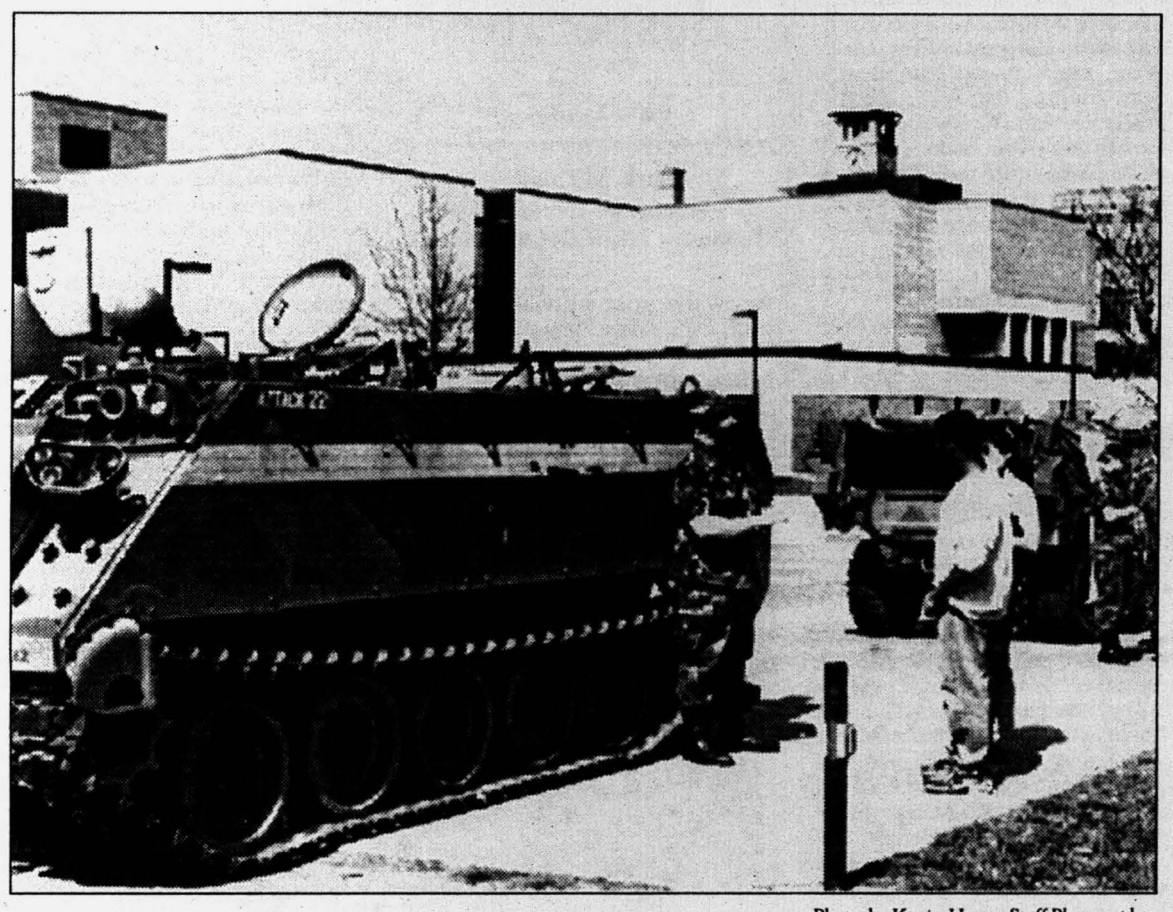


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RIbbons were being tied on all available trees last Tuesday to show support for the three service men currently detained by Serb forces. Tanks were brought on campus by the UW-Stout Vets Club to make aware all ongoing U.S. operations overseas.

Family Weekend 1999

Friday April 16

Student Best of Design Show 10:00a.m.-4:30p.m.
Furlong Gallery- Micheels Hall
Psychology Club Brat Fry 10:00a.m.-8:00p.m.
Between AF and North Hall
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MPR, Fieldhouse

Saturday April 17

ADMA Fashion Show 10:00a.m.-11:00a.m.
Great Hall
Medieval Marketplace 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m.
Outside Huffs
Campus Ministry Open House 11:00a.m.-2:00p.m.
Big Blue house on North Campus
AHMA "Dirt Cheap Auction" Registration 11:00a.m.
Crystal Ballrooms
Inter Greek Council Olympics noon
Wakanda Park
Student Best of Design Show noon-3:00p.m.
Furlong Gallery- Micheels Hall
Phi Sig Alumni Meeting noon-1:30p.m.
Woods Rooms
Jumping Castle noon-4:00p.m.
Commons
Band and Choir Concert 2:00p.m.
MPR, Fieldhouse
Medieval Buffet 4:00p.m.-6:00p.m.
Great Hall
Harvey Play 7:30p.m.
Harvey Hall
Puke-N-Snot 8:00p.m.-9:00p.m.
MPR, Fieldhouse

Sunday April 18

Auto Club Auto Show 6:00a.m.-2:30p.m.
Dunn County Rec Park
Bash on the Grass noon-6:00p.m.
Student Center Mall Area
Men's Baseball Double Header vs Mt. Senario noon
Women's Softball Double Header vs Mt. Senario noon
Wakanda Park

Happenings at JTC suggest the supernatural

by Jake Groshek
Staff Reporter

Ghosts. Spirits. The supernatural. The unexplainable. The paranormal. No matter what the title, a number of UW-Stout students have reported extraordinary experiences in a campus dormitory.

Are the rumors surrounding JTC's occupation by a ghost reality? Many current and former residents believe so. Stories about JTC's ghost have abounded for years, and most have been attributed to a suicide that occurred in Callahan Hall five years ago.

Nearly all reports are from the Jeter Hall basement. Some students feel so uncomfortable and uneasy in the Jeter basement that they refuse to return there.

Is this simply a case of paranoia? Read on.

The majority of the students' stories report such things as a feeling of being watched or a sense that someone is following them. Other, more pervasive stories include unexplained knocking on the walls, objects moving from place to place without being touched, or people being tapped on the shoulder when no one else is present.

In this academic year alone, over a dozen students have reported feeling a very cold draft in the Jeter basement even though the windows are closed.

A particular event was witnessed by several people. A current resident of JTC, who chose to remain anonymous, said, "We were walking into the Jeter basement when we saw what appeared to be a fog illuminated with a white light. The fog was in the shape of a person lying in the fetal position on the floor."

Still not convinced? A night security worker reported an occurrence just last semester. While on rounds she noticed a TV was left on in the Jeter basement. After she shut off the TV, it came back on when she was about nine feet away. She then told the ghost, who is often called Cody, to leave the TV off. As she was hurriedly exiting the basement, several chairs moved suddenly and one struck her leg.

Does this student just have an overactive imagination? Maybe, maybe not.

A current RA of JTC, who also chose to protect her identity, reported a brush with the unknown. Prior to residents moving in for the fall 1998 semester, she heard a cough coming from one of the rooms. She then returned to the lobby to find the rest of the staff accounted for there. After a search of the rooms revealed nothing, the coughing was heard again, this time accompanied by the slamming of dresser drawers. A second search again produced no tangible results.

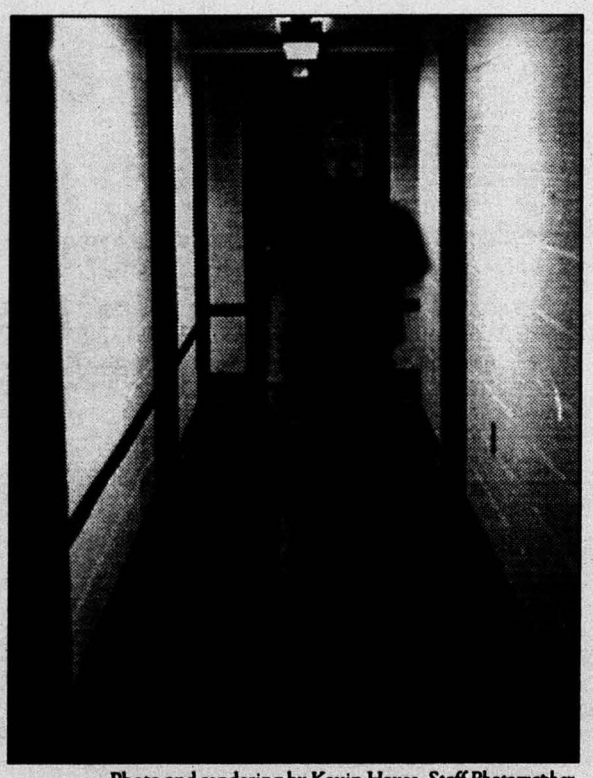


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A current resident of JTC who wished to remain anonymous has performed an experiment several times to determine the presence of a ghost. He and several witnesses move the furniture in the basement of Jeter Hall and check to ensure the basement is empty. They then leave and watch the doors to the basement to make sure no one enters or leaves. When they return, the furniture is inexplicably moved back to its original position.

For those concerned with what to do when encountering the JTC ghost, an on campus expert and member of the American Ghost Society offered some advice. He said a person should, "Understand the ghost has more power than you, and to treat it with respect. You should not get freaked out. This is how the ghost interacts with us, since we cannot interact with it." He also labeled the ghost a "trickster" and "nearly harmless," but he does not advocate taunting the ghost.

JTC Hall Director Tracy Johnson was unavailable to comment on the mysterious happenings in her hall. There also seemed to be a measure of secrecy among some of the staff members of the hall.

Is JTC haunted? Perhaps the only answer may be found by individuals willing to spend extended time in the Jeter basement late at night.

For more information about the supernatural, visit the American Ghost Society on the web at http://www.prairieghosts.com. If anyone has had experiences involving ghosts, aliens, or any other paranormal activity, they can contact the Mutual U.F.O. Network at 1-(800)-472-3312. This is a pager number and the digits 4639 should be entered at the tone for someone from the area to respond to the page.

The two mile road to a cleaner environment

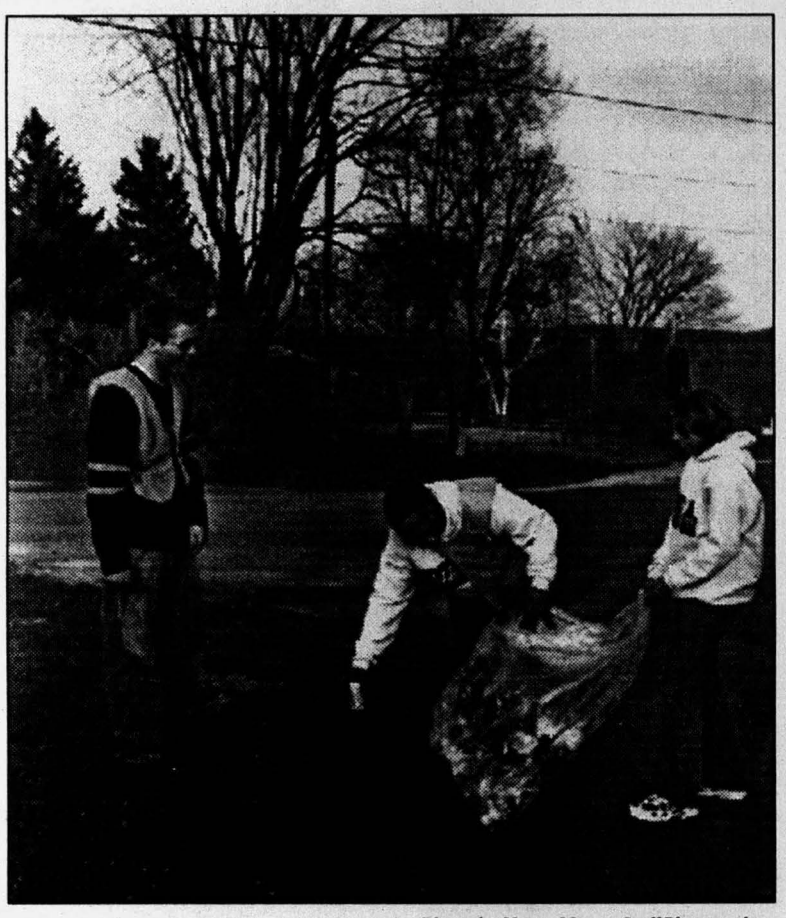


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The two mile stretch of Highway 72 was scattered with people in reflective orange vests on Tuesday. With garbage bags in check, DECA members picked up the refuse in surrounding ditches.

by Bobbi Ward
Staff Reporter

Countless garbage bags were filled as UW-Stout's DECA walked the ditches of Highway 72 in Downsville on Tuesday. Along with DECA, many organizations participate in the Adopt-A-Highway program each year as a part of their community service requirements.

Anyone and everyone is able to participate in the Adopt-A-Highway program. If one decides to participate, all that is needed is a group of five or more people willing to donate a minimum of three hours per person between the months of April and November to clean up the highways. Filling out an application is the first step in the Adopt-A-Highway program, which can be obtained at any Highway Department office.

While filling out the application, groups should decide whether to adopt a state or county highway, stretching two miles. Many of the state highways have already been adopted, but some are still available. State highways that are further away from major cities still need to be adopted. The state highways are in greater demand because unlike county highways, state highways give recognition to the groups for their contribution to the community.

After the application has been completed, cleaning begins when a list of tentative pick-up dates has been submitted to the Highway District program coordinator.

The Highway Department will supply the group with safety vests, trash bags, safety signs and a safety video that is necessary to watch before venturing into the ditches.

> "Over ninety-seven percent of highways have been adopted, but some are in desperate need."
>
> Barb Mindak
> *Financial Specialist*
> *Bureau of Highway Operations*

Cleaning the ditches is a game of finder's keepers. Anything that the group finds on their outing may be kept by the group. Anything within reason, of course. No large sums of money found can be kept. Such finds need to be turned in to the proper authority.

From beer cans to a discarded road sign that said "dip," DECA discovered an array of treasures when donating their time to clean-up. Christa Pharis, DECA member said, "We do it [Adopt-a-highway] so DECA will get out into the community."

Since 1990, when the Adopt-A-Highway program began, it has become a huge success. The program was developed after the Make America Beautiful campaign began, and offers a way for everyone to get involved. Adopt-A-Highway was put into effect in Wisconsin during 1991 with the participation of all eight highway districts.

During the first year of operation there were about fifty groups who participated. The number of participants has sky-rocketed since the beginning of the program.

"Over ninety-seven percent of highways have been adopted, but some are in desperate need." Barb Mindak, the Financial Specialist of the Bureau of Highway Operations said, "The Adopt-A-Highway program is basically running by itself and it is holding its own."

Sleep deficit equals exhaustion

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

Students know the feeling all too well. The days drag on, eyelids drop lower and feel heavier, it gets hard to walk and it's almost painful to think. It's called exhaustion, physical exhaustion which can be resolved by one simple thing...sleep. So why does this fundamental need seem to be so easily ignored?

Approximately 7 to 9 hours of sleep a day is needed for good quality sleep. That is quality sleep, not just laying down, dropping on the bed passed out for the night, or falling to sleep in a restless state. Quality sleep is enough sleep to be energized and productive the next day while fulfilling daily tasks. Unfortunately, many students function at less than an optimum level because they are trying to get by on little sleep and accomplish just as much, if not more.

Sleep has four stages in which the body adjusts to achieve beneficial sleep. Stage one is the drifting stage that last for about 20 minutes, before falling into the 2nd stage for another 20 minutes then into stage 3 and 4. The last stage is the deep sleep part of this process; soon the sleeper begins to come up to stage 3, on to 2 and 1. Between stages 2 and 1 is where REM (Rapid Eye Movement) or "dream stage" takes place.

Many students are impairing themselves so they never reach all stages within the sleep process. This may be caused by the lifestyle of students- projects, deadlines, papers, social life, eating habits, drinking, and so on. This can have lasting effects which cannot be replenished. The body is affected by one night of bad sleep and continues to accumulate as the day progresses. This collection of lost hours can lead students right into a dangerous trap called sleep deprivation.

The body reacts to sleep deprivation by feeling such things as sleepiness, anxiety, impaired concentration, impaired memory, and irritability throughout the day.

Drinking coffee or taking other supplements are typical ways students combat the tiredness and stimulate the body. This is only digging a deeper hole. The short term high will expand a spurt of energy that will leave a person flat on the ground when it's effect is gone. In more times than not, this often leaves the body more tired than in the first place.

Drinking alcohol also carries it's effects on the sleep pattern. Alcohol can cause "rebound insomnia" in which falling asleep comes easily, but one wakes up a short time later and lies awake. It also disrupts the quality of sleep, not allowing one all stages in the sleeping process which are needed to have a productive, energized day.

To improve quality of sleep, it is recommended to cut down on coffee and other stimulants during the day and skip the alcohol at night. Stick to a regular schedule for going to bed as much as possible. Get light exercise in the late afternoon, early morning. Spend down time before sleep. Do not procrastinate on homework, and try to eat balanced meals.

Sleep is such an important part of feeling good, being productive and improving the quality of living. If something seems missing, and exhaustion comes all too often, sleep may be the deficit that needs to be filled.

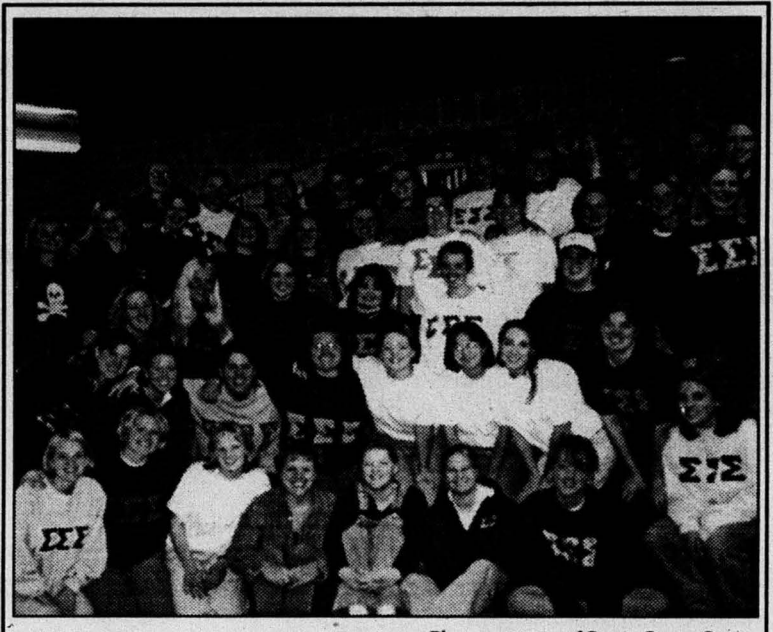


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Detective Beth Winge
Case Number: 011
Full Name: Sigma Sigma Sigma

Under investigation for: Apparently, smuggling items into a few children's hospitals. Investigators have claimed the Children's Hospital in Dallas and Chapel Hill in North Carolina have been some of the many that were hit with puppets and books. Under the pretence of donating money and toys, members actually got their name printed on the doorway of the fun room.

Current reports have suggested: The older population of Menomonie has complained that when this group participated in Yard Clean-up Day, items such as rakes and hoes were reported missing.

Suspicious behavior: Members have been seen begging on the sidewalks of campus. "Do you have a quarter," has been quoted in the record. Apparently, they wanted to collect enough quarters to breach a quarter of a mile. Members have also been spotted at the Special Olympics. Some kind of deal went down that day. No arrests have been made.

Future investigations concerning: Due to the increase of busts in their current house, and the many members running from the law, a new locale is being established for next year. Officers have no leads at this time but rumor on the street is the new address will be 1804 9th Ave.

Warning: Their philanthropy centers around children. We assume this part of the population will be their first targets.

Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Chloe's break-down is discussed.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

My current saga began when I was stuck in the cities last weekend. I got rudely interrupted in last week's column by the ad below just before I got to the climax of the story. Don't you just hate when TV shows do that to you? They just leave you hanging on purpose in order to get you to watch their next show. Of course, this wasn't my intent.

Where did I leave off, ah yes, I was pacing the parking lot of the gas station waiting for the rude idiot to stop talking to his girlfriend. Here they are having phone sex, and my car is conveniently stalled in the middle of the intersection.

Finally, being fed up with accidental eavesdropping, I decide to see if the Starbucks across the lot had a pay phone. It took me a few moments of walking and I had almost made it to the door before I realized I was being followed by a strange looking guy with a cell phone in his grasp. In a death-like raspy voice, he asks me, "Do you need to use the phone?"

Naw, I was just leaving my car in the middle of the road to gain attention so when I paced the area by the pay phone the nympho would get sex off his mind and notice me. But I don't need to use the phone. "Is there a pay phone in Starbucks?" I question as I try to slither past he who is blocking the door. My gaze scans the parking lot where, simultaneously, all the urban gang members who hang out in the Starbucks parking lot stop what they are doing to stare at the stupid blonde chick who trashed her car on the freeway. Kind of on- stage and not wanting to be, I walk through the first set of doors.

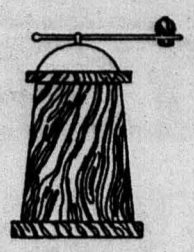
"There isn't a phone in there," the man replies. "Do you want to use my cell phone?" He asks as he shoves the little number in my face. I really wanted to pretend like I couldn't hear him, maybe didn't speak the language. I reply as I am moving away from him, "I'm just going to go see if the guy on the pay phone has gotten off." (Excuse the pun.)

"I wouldn't do that if I were you. Dragon gets pretty mad if you interrupt his phone conversations," he replies as he is following me around with the phone. Here's my phone, here's my phone, here's my phone, he silently cries out. Okay buddy, calm down, I will use your phone.

After I am finished whining to my parents about the atrocities of my life, (I've heard rumors that I also do this in my column) he looks at me and says, "Do you need a ride somewhere? Do you need your car towed? Do you need to get somewhere?"

Yes, yes, yes. But with you, no, no, no. Like I would just hop into the car of a raspy-voiced stranger who seems to be following me around to get me to ride with him? As the day wore on I was beginning to think every person there thought I was the stupid blonde girl naive enough to accept a ride home.

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Stout theatre troop delivers *Harvey*

by Corey Klein
Entertainment Editor

When we are little, it's acceptable to have imaginary friends. Elwood P. Dowd, who loosely states his occupation as "Helping people enjoy themselves at drinking establishments," never outgrew his.

This is the focus of UW-Stout's theatrical performance this weekend. The play *Harvey*, a comedy written by Mary Chase, was first brought to light in 1950 when James Stewart was nominated for an Academy Award for his portrayal as the man with an imaginary friend.

During Stout's production, Senior Mike Brenhold takes the reins, continuously introducing his "six foot one-and-a-half inch tall" friend to those around him.

The plot begins as Dowd's sister Veta (Jamie Anderson) and niece Myrtle Mae (Jean King) attempt to up their rank in the "social and popularity" community. Unfortunately, Dowd insists on the introduction of his friend, causing Veta to have her brother committed to a sanitarium with the aid of Judge Gaffney (Bryan Barts).

Once there, Dowd is examined by both Dr. Chumley (Brett Engle) and Dr. Sanderson (Eric Stein) and aided by Nurse Kelly (Angela Cain) and Mr. Wilson (Kevin Brylski). The four are charmed by the committed man and feel sorry and remorseful about his predicament.

The play makes light of the entire "sanity" issue, questioning who really belongs behind the asylum walls. The characters begin to wonder what the harm is in letting this man believe in his friend.

Brenholt, now a veteran to the Harvey Hall Auditorium, is excited about the play. "The work ethic that this cast has exhibited has been incomparable. Everyone has been very professional in practices, making things run very smoothly."

Barts also commented on the professionalism of the cast. "It's wonderful to see the various personalities come forward on stage."

Both actors went on to describe their efforts to further connect the school's programs with the theatre. Barts in particular is currently on a mission, asking "technical majors" and their program directors for their aid recruiting theatre personnel.

"It's ironic," Barts said, "that many of the things that the theatre needs directly relates to some of the more technical programs at Stout."

Brenholt specifically cited the construction and apparel design programs as applicable to the theatre program. "These are the people who can gain from their experience with the theatre," he said.

As this is Brenholt's last play at Stout, he has high expectations for the weekend. "I want people to realize what a theatre can bring to a campus, for the Stout community to become involved in the theatre."



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

Dr. Sanderson (Eric Stein) reviews the facts of Mr. Dowd's condition with his sister Veta (Jamie Anderson) in the University Theatre's production of *Harvey*.



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

Elwood P. Dowd, a friendly and compassionate man, takes the time to ask Harvey, Dowd's six foot, one and a half inch sidekick rabbit, his opinion on the situation. *Harvey* will show April 16, 17 and 19 at 7:30 p.m. and April 18 at 2:00 p.m. in the Harvey Hall Auditorium.

If early ticket sales are any measure, Brenholt should not be disappointed, as sales are already up from recent years.

Despite being Brenholt's last play as a theatre actor, he is far from finished with the program here at Stout. Before he graduates in December, he plans to direct a fall play, in the absence of Dr. Miller, who will be on sabbatical. Plans are also in the works to bring a comedy performance to Huff's next fall. If all goes as planned, the Stout theatre troop should become much more visible in the upcoming months.

As for this spring's play, *Harvey* promises to be an entertaining time for everyone and appropriate for all ages. Dr. Miller has done a wonderful job directing a close-knit and talented eleven-member cast.

This weekend's showings are on April 16, 17, and 19 at 7:30 p.m. and a 2:00 p.m. matinee on April 18. Tickets are still available at the Service Desk in the Memorial Student Center for four dollars or available at the door at the time of show for five dollars.

Brenholt did an excellent job in summing up the Family Weekend performance by stating, "I am still getting goosebumps, I'm really excited."

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I was so happy the other day because my girl and I figured out that one of her biggest fears is fear of abandonment.

So... I told her I would never leave her.

Then she told me one of her other biggest fears is fear of commitment.

So, I told her that soon I would drop her and she would be free!

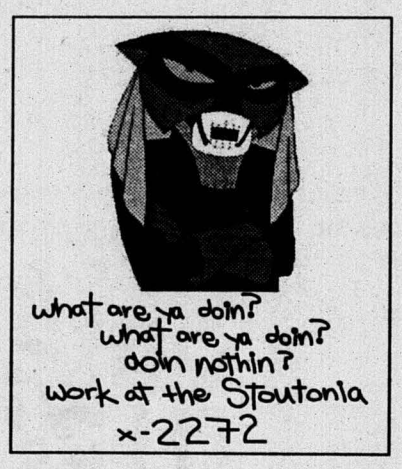
This didn't seem to help.

So then I told her I was going to prison for five years.

That made her feel much better.

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Horoscopes



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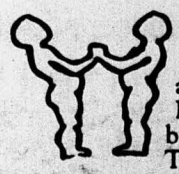
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) Try to avoid nibbling on things today. Despite recent developments, you don't actually know your friend that well.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Good day to ponder the parable of the itsy bitsy spider, and the futility of climbing up water spouts during spring weather. Surprisingly, you will be able to apply this lesson to one of your current relationships.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) You will trip over a small stick today. Maybe you should be more careful. That's all for today.



Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Today one or more close relations will pout. You will stoically endure this, and will steadfastly refuse to relinquish power over the remote control.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Try being entirely honest for a week. It will clear your conscience. Personally, I prefer my method though: poor memory.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) You will fall off your chair in class again today. Everyone will laugh at you.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) You might consider picking up some holy water and a few stout wooden sticks. They'll come in handy soon, although I'm not quite sure how.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) A very pudgy squirrel will annoy you today.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Yes, Family Weekend is once again upon us. You know what that means. Little Tommy is going to try ordering a keg under your name, and your hippie aunt will show up with her "psychedelic" brownies.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Even though you're excited for the parents to come for a visit, you are also a little concerned about a bar scene. Last year was too much to handle watching your parents grind at the Flame.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) An elderly woman will corner you in a dark alley today, mug you, then beat the crap out of you.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) An alien will take over your body today, forcing you into extreme abnormal behavior. However, no one else will notice.

A galaxy far away faces life in the *Wild West*

by Phil Skretvedt
Staff Reporter

With the weather getting warmer and the days getting longer, the campus is getting spring fever. In that spirit, and just to add an appetizer to the plate, here's a preview of the summer blockbusters we can all drool over until they open over the summer months.

A change of pace from recent years, this summer's releases promise more comedy, with the exception of Darth Vader. And not nearly as many opportunities for our planet to blow up as last year. That extravaganza is dedicated to a galaxy far, far away...

The Phantom Menace - Star Wars Episode 1

Okay, we all know this movie is technically coming out May 19, which is during evaluation week, officially before our summer begins, but what would a summer preview be without its brightest shining star? Star Wars could, again be the top grossing movie of all time, retaking the title it lost in early 1998 to *Titanic*.

As a testament to the film's cult following, some are already waiting in line a whole month before the show to ensure tickets for the film's opening weekend.

This film is further back in time than the previously released trilogy. The plot involves a time when Obi-wan and Darth Vader are in their youth and shows their rise to power. Ewan McGregor is Obi-wan-kenobi and Jake Lloyd (*Jingle All the Way*) is the young Darth Vader.

It's going to be hot, it'll make a lot of money and almost everyone will see it. Enough said.

Austin Powers 2; The Spy Who Shagged Me

Mike Myers returns as the British Spy from the 70s, Austin Powers. The only certainty to this film, as the plot has been rather hush-hush around Hollywood, is that it should run similar to the first release. Since Mike Myers is in it again anyone could guess that the charismatic Dr. Evil will also make his return. Set to be released on June 11, it may be a little overlooked, but it should be a good film to see once you've gotten tired of watching Star Wars for the 15th time.

Big Daddy

Adam Sandler plays a jobless law school graduate who adopts a five year old boy to make an attempt at winning back his ex-girlfriend who he lost to an older man. Hmmm, pathetic loser trying something different to impress a female. Sandler is taking no risks here.

Set to come out on June 25, *Big Daddy* should be able to generate excellent ticket sales. Especially from those who sat through Bobby Boucher's accent this fall for an hour and a half.

With a more believable plot, this effort should be better than the *The Water Boy*, and might just be the comedy of the summer.

Wild Wild West

Just in time for the July 4th weekend comes this Will Smith sci-fi/western film. *Wild Wild West* stars "Mr. Jiggy with it" himself as the hero James T. West. Kevin Klein and Kenneth Branagh oppose Mr. Smith as the dastardly villains.

The trailer for this movie looks amazing. It is a surefire summer blockbuster with its unbelievable special effects and Hollywood's newest action hero, Will Smith.

The plot is still under wraps as of yet, but I can bet that the Fresh Prince will blow a lot of crap up and save the day. It's probably the only movie that could contend with *Star Wars*.

Eyes Wide Shut

Coming out on July 16, *Eyes Wide Shut* should be a big thriller this summer. Starring husband and wife duo Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman, it is sure to rake in some serious dough just because of the huge Tom Cruise fan base.

The word on the street is that the movie is an action thriller, which should give it little competition from the special effects-full summer of 1999.

Other possible summer hits include:

South Park

Scheduled release on July 16 It is a larger version of the TV series. The plot is undisclosed at this time.

Inspector Gadget

Starring Matthew Broderick as Gadget and scheduled for release on July 23.

Muppets from Space

Gonzo and the gang travel into space to find his past and stumble upon some of his long lost relatives. With the release date set on July 30, it will definitely be a big hit with families and kids.

With such a number of big name movies to be released, this summer should not be lacking in theater entertainment. It's just one more reason to look forward to summer, as if we need any more. The only down point will be August, since it's the least interesting month for movie releases. But like my man Meatloaf says, "2 out of 3 ain't bad."
That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.



Photo courtesy of www.theforce.net

One of the hottest films of last year turned out to be the preview of this year's *The Phantom Menace*. The first of the Star Wars "prequels," the film already has a cult following and is promised to challenge *Titanic* as the top grossing movie of all time.

Schad's Y2K to visit Acoustic Cafe



Photo submitted by Steve Schad

Making the second stop on his Y2K tour 1999, Steve Schad, a Madison native, who describes his music as eclectic acoustic pop, will play, appropriately, at Menomonie's Acoustic Cafe. The show will be during Family Weekend with a showing on Saturday, April 17 at 8:00 p.m.



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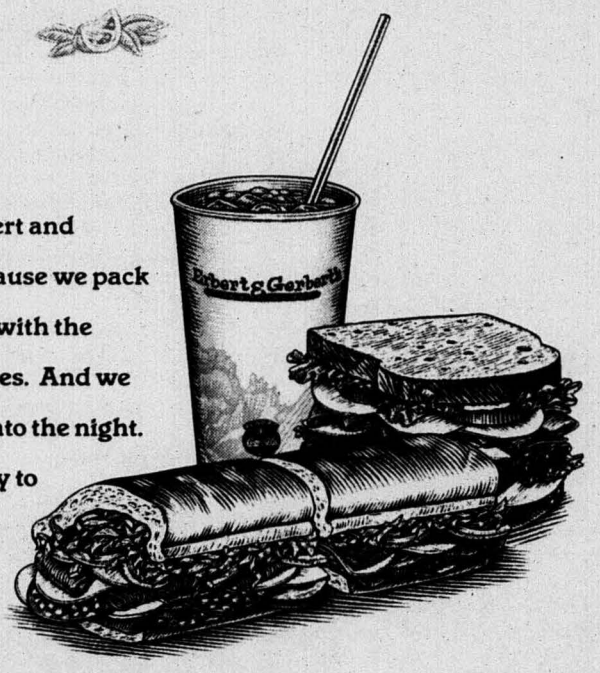
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Pitching potential boosts Blue Devils

by Nicholas Czaplewski
Staff Reporter

The Blue Devil Baseball Team followed their previous streak of four consecutive wins with a less appealing string of games last Monday and Tuesday. After dropping two close games to St. Thomas in Minneapolis on Monday, the team returned home on Tuesday to split another pair of games with Concordia-St. Paul.

The Blue Devils were originally scheduled to face St. Thomas last Saturday, but had to reschedule for Monday because of severe weather conditions. St. Thomas won the 1-0 decision spread over nine inning game. Zak Arneson pulled his weight in the opener, allowing three runs in the first, and only two more runs the rest of the contest.

Scott Meyer completed the second game, giving up the winning run in the bottom of the ninth. It may come as little compensation to note that the winning hit came off the bat of St. Thomas' All-American Matt Faulken.

At home, the Blue Devils pulled out a win against the Concordia Comets on Tuesday.

Ninth-inning rallies were the story of the day at Nelson Field. In the first game of the double header, the Comets scored one run in the final frame to break a 2-2 tie and win 3-2, but in the second game, Stout didn't allow Concordia to repeat their late-inning acrobatics. This time, the Blue Devils shut the door on the Comet's ninth-inning rally and captured the 5-4 win.

Stout starting pitcher Jake Streich almost single-handedly kept the 2-0 Blue Devil lead standing until the sixth inning. "Pitching has been super," Coach Terry Petrie said. He also stated that the team has been offensively in a slump lately.

Dustin Campbell drew a one-out walk, and then went on to steal second base and advance to third as Streich threw a wild pitch. With an attempt to throw out Campbell, Nick Sattler overthrew the third baseman, allowing the go-ahead run to score.

In the second game for the Blue Devils, both teams swapped runs at first. Stout's offensive charge was ignited by the seventh, eighth, and ninth hitters in the line-up. Josh Johnson, J.W. Dachael, and Sattler went for a combined 7 for 9 and drove in four of Stout's five runs.

Stout will host Martin Luther College this Thursday, April 15th at noon and will travel to UW-LaCrosse Saturday to open the Conference schedule. Sunday will bring Mt. Senario to Nelson Field at noon. Stout has tentatively rescheduled their game against Augsburg for 2:30 p.m. on Monday in Minneapolis.



Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

The Blue Devils have been finding success on the mound, especially in their most recent close battles with St. Thomas and Concordia-St. Paul. The team started the season with a young and questionable bullpen, but has found stability in a few reliable starters. With competent pitchers leading the defense, the Blue Devils can try to revive from their offensive slump.

Men's team rises to the occasion as rain falls on St. Thomas Invite

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

Both the Men's and Women's Blue Devil Track Teams competed in the St. Thomas Invitational last Sunday and despite the cold rains and hard winds, forged ahead with the help of some outstanding individual efforts.

Stout's Corey Knudsen could very well join his high-flying teammate, Jamie Buchholtz, at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

After moving the pole vault event indoors due to inclement weather at the St. Thomas Invitational last Saturday, Knudsen finished third to Buchholtz with an NCAA Division III provisional qualfying height of 15 feet, 6 inches.

Buchholtz, who has already qualified automatically to the nationals in the pole vault, improved his height by clearing 16 feet to win the event.

Mike Bethke had perhaps his best meet since coming back from a neck injury suffered during the 1997 football season. Bethke scored career highs in both the shot put and the javelin. Bethke won the shot put event, tossing the weight 49 feet, 10 inches and placed second in the javelin, notching a toss of 165-7.

Tim Hamill won his second race in as many weeks, this time slogging his way to the 1500-meter title in a time of 4 minutes, 5.25 seconds.

The Blue Devils got a second place finish from Jesse Hunter in the 400-hurdles (57.13) and a third place finish from Corey O'Donnell in the hammer throw (154-8).

As a team, the Blue Devils finished second to NCAA Division II North Dakota State. Stout will return to action on Saturday at the Carleton Invitational in Northfield, Minnesota.

Blustery weather dominated the women's events as Stout's team competed at the same invitational Saturday and finished seventh.

Katie Jacobson placed second to Kris Ihle, an independent runner who is making a bid for the Olympic team, in the 1500-meter run. Jacobson clocked a 4:45.41 in the cold rain to challenge Ihle's meet record 4:32.97.

Michelle Abramczak placed fifth in the 400-meter hurdles (1:10.37), and Katy Olsen, Jen Wucherer and Katie Kuffel placed fifth, sixth and seventh, respectively, in the 3000-meter run.

Amy Arndt was fifth in the 5000-meter, while Tia Richardson was sixth in the 400-meter and Jen Turner was sixth in the hammer throw. Andi Schwabenlender was fourth and Ann Marie Curtis was fifth in the high jump.

The women will travel to Northfield with the men's team to challenge Carleton College Saturday, April 17 when they compete at the St. Olaf Invitational in Northfield, Minnesota.

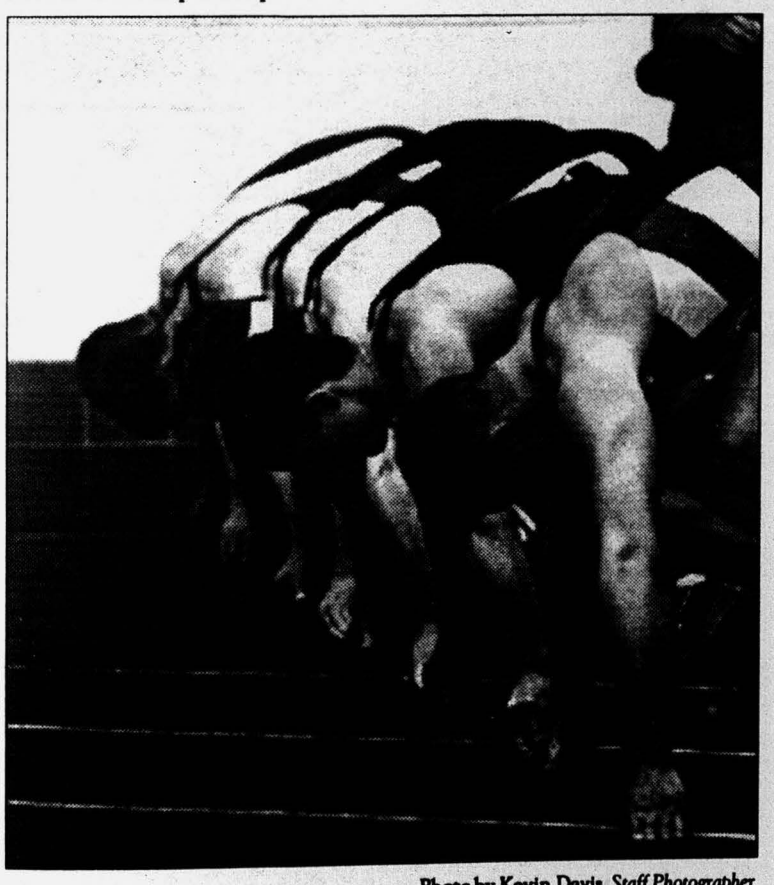


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The weather forced some events to rearrange indoors but the St. Thomas Invitational still provided more NCAA Division III qualifying results for Blue Devil Men's Track and Field.



BASEBALL

Pitching Performances

Pitcher	ERA	W/L	IP	AB	B/Avg
PAAR, Corey	0.00	1-1	3.2	17	.353
STREICH, Jake	2.66	1-1	20.1	73	.205
ARNESON, Zak	2.79	1-3	29.0	113	.212
MEYER, Scott	2.83	1-4	28.2	115	.287
LUNDE, Matt	3.38	1-0	16.0	61	.197
SIAS, Matt	5.87	0-1	7.2	34	.324
JUNCKER, Matt	6.00	0-1	3.0	11	.182
SHOBERG, Adam	6.75	0-1	5.1	23	.348
WOLF, Ryan	18.00	0-1	3.0	18	.444
Totals	3.98	5-13			
Opponents	3.65				

Press Box

Compiled by Amy Schneider from UW-Stout Sports Information

Softball

The UW-Stout Softball Team split a double header with UW-Superior at home, Tuesday.

The Blue Devils were clicking on all cylinders in the first game. In the second inning, Janel Krenz singled in Jill Tetu to put Stout's first run on the board.

Superior scored once in the third to knot things up at 1-1, but in the home half of the inning, Stout busted out to score three more runs. Tanya Petrie blasted a double to centerfield, driving in Cara Fenhouse and Angie Pinnow. Becky Wright also came around to score, giving the Blue Devils a 4-1 lead.

From that point, starting pitcher Rebecca Deuel had all she needed. Deuel went the distance, allowing one run on only four hits.

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April snows bring Blue Devil wins

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

Welcome to the frozen northland, home to the only game in the nation that was snowed out last week. That's right folks, last week's UW-Stevens Point Coca-Cola Fastpitch Invitational was cut short by 1/2" of snow that fell, canceling the second day of competition for the Blue Devil Softball Team. The cancellations caused UW-Stout to miss their first challenge of conference rival Eau Claire and the Milwaukee School of Engineering. Neither game will be made up.

The trip wasn't a total waste of time for the team, however, as they still played in two games that culminated in an even record for the tourney. The win, which came against St. Norbert, was based on a solid offensive effort coupled with a strong defense.

Cara Fenhouse spoke softly, but the big stick she swung was responsible for a double and four RBIs as she went 2-for-3 at the plate.

Angie Pinnow was also able to muster a 2-for-3 plate performance, and distinguished herself with an RBI and two stolen bases. By the end of the sixth, the Blue Devils were able to break the 1-1 tie which had held until the third inning to take a 9-1 lead and eventually the win with a score of 9-5.

Defensively, the women were tough. Rebecca Deuel pitched an excellent game but wasn't able to finish out the bottom of the sixth. After giving up four runs to what had been a sluggish St. Norbert offense, Rebecca Zimmerman took over on the mound and finished the game without incident.

Looking ahead to a challenge of UW-Stevens Point, neither team anticipated an easy match.

The stepped-up level of competition was evident from the get-go, as Stout pitchers faced a small strike zone and an aggressive Pointer offense. Despite their solid hitting core, the Blue Devils were able to post only three hits on the game.

Rebecca Zimmerman took the mound for Stout once again, but this time her performance wasn't enough as the Pointers pummeled an already hampered Stout defense with a final score of 9-0 before the game was called in the fifth inning.

Key to the loss was an inability to produce offensively. Some may cite questionable calls as a contributing factor, but Coach Stainer points out that, in spite of some adverse conditions, it is still up to the team to bring their game to the field and not be led into playing according to the terms of the competitor.

Stout's upcoming schedule will be divided between a Thursday night game in La Crosse and a 1 p.m. home game at Wakanda Park Sunday against Mt. Senario.



Photo taken from Stoutonia Archives

Yes, even in April outdoor sports are subject to game cancellations due to snowfall. The Women's Softball Team missed their chance to take on rival UW-Eau Claire last weekend but were ready and willing to trounce St. Norberts. See Tuesday's game results in the Press Box.

NSCA Strength All-America selections

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Informaiton

UW-Stout student athletes Rachel Traynor and Ben Leslie have been selected by the National Strength and Conditioning Association as 1999 NSCA All-America athletes.

"Ben (Leslie) is a true leader by example. His training habits are excellent, he works hard at everything and is a successful student athlete at the university."

Duane Naatz
UW-Stout Strength and Conditioning Coach

Traynor, a member of the Blue Devil Women's Basketball Team, was the team's most valuable player and a first team all-Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference pick, as well as a Columbus Multi-Media Central region pick. She was the team's second leading scorer, averaging 12.7 points per game.

Traynor bench pressed 175-lbs, squatted 275-lbs, and lifted 150-lbs in the power clean.

"Rachel is a four-year starter and a real leader for her team," Stout strength and conditioning coach Duane Naatz said. "Her strength is a result of hard work and a continued drive to improve herself as an athlete."

Leslie was a four-year starter for the Blue Devil football team in the offensive line and was a second team all-conference pick last fall.

Leslie, who had started 36 consecutive games stretching back to his freshman year, graded out at 91.7 percent on the line, recording 11 pancake blocks and allowed only one sack over the last two years on the Blue Devils highly-acclaimed and extremely potent passing attack - a passing game that ranked second in the NCAA Division III last season with 3392 yards and 39 passing touchdowns.

Leslie bench pressed 350-lbs., squatted 550-lbs., and lifted 340-lbs. in the power clean.

"Ben is a true leader by example," Naatz, who is also the football team's offensive coordinator, said. "His training habits are excellent, he works hard at everything and is a successful student athlete at the university."

The award program, in its 16th year, recognizes outstanding male and female athletes who have excelled in their strength training and conditioning. Selections are also based on community involvement, academic achievement and leadership qualities.

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The Agenda

Upcoming Blue Devil Sports Schedule

Baseball
Saturday, April 17 12p.m.
at UW-La Crosse (DH)
Sunday, April 18 12 p.m.
vs. Mount Senario, here (DH)
Revised Games (tentative)
Monday, April 19 2:30 p.m.
vs. Augsburg College

Softball
Thursday, April 15 3 p.m.
at UW-La Crosse
Sunday, April 18 1 p.m.
vs, Mouont Senario, here
Tuesday, April 20 4 p.m.
at Concordia-St. Paul
Wednesday, April 21 3 p.m.
at UW-Eau Claire

Men's Track & Field
Saturday, April 24 10 a.m.
at Carleton College Invitaional

Women's Track & Field
Saturday, April 17 9 a.m.
at St. Olaf Invitational

Women's Tennis
Friday, April 16 3:30 p.m.
vs. Hamline University, here
Monday, April 19 3 p.m.
vs. Martil Luther College, here

Men's Rugby
Saturday, April 17
at Wausau
Saturday, April 24
vs. Uw-Oshkosh, here

Press Box/Softball

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The Blue Devils added one run in the fifth and went on to win 6-1.

In the second game, Superior starter Judy Jenson was untouchable. The Yellowjacket pitcher tossed a six-inning shutout, helping her team to an 8-0 win.

Offensively, Superior wasted no time. The Yellowjackets posted two runs in the first inning and one more in the third. Then, in the fourth, Jenson drove in two runs with a two-out single.

With Superior up 4-0, Stout's Fenhouse mounted a threat in the fifth. With two away, she knocked a flyball to left-center, but her effort was halted by Superior center fielder Robin Sellwood.

Superior left nothing to chance in the sixth. After two runs had already scored, Jen Walto blasted a two-run homer over the centerfield wall, giving the Yellowjackets an 8-0 lead.

After a lead-off single by Tanya Petrie, Jenson sent the rest of the Blue Devils down in order in the sixth. The game was then ended on account of the eight-run rule.

Men's Club Soccer

In what has become a seasonal tradition, the Men's Soccer Club traveled to Duluth, Minnesota last weekend to partake in a twelve-team indoor tournament hosted by the University of Minnesota-Duluth.

The team first faced off Friday night, April 8, competing against a hometown crowd and the UMD number one ranked team. Nerves ran high during the first half, as the Blue Devils struggled on the indoor format, falling behind 1-0 at halftime.

Stout came back to control the majority of the second half with the help of Adam Stowitts, who converted a Brooke Erickson - Corey Klein passing combo to beat out the Duluth goaltender.

The match ended tied at 1-1, resulting in a five man shoot-out. Duluth proved the finer of the teams, triumphing 2-1.

Stout was then sent to the consolation bracket to face a controlled University of Minnesota-Morris team. The Blue Devils avenged their loss by defeating UMM by a score of 1-0. Stowitts tallied again for the Stout team and Mike Baranowski won his first shut-out.

The victory set up a quarterfinal contest with St. Scholastica, a well-coached Division III team. Stout struck early and often, blazing to a 3-1 lead in the second half. Goals by Mickey Uss and Todd Demerit paced the Blue Devils through the first half. Adding to the lead early in the second half, Andy Richason scored his first goal, bending a bicycle kick into the corner of the net.

Unfortunately, St. Scholastica came storming back, tieing the game up 3-3 before the end of regulation time.

Stout found themselves in familiar waters, and were not able to improve, as the Devils fell to a final score of 4-3.

The team is also holding a fundraiser, selling "Stout Futball" shirts for $10. Those interested should contact their favorite team member.

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Radical parking changes to come

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

The campus may see radical changes in parking come next semester. A parking system that affects faculty, staff, and students was voted in last Friday by the Campus Physical Development Committee. It is now up to the Chancellor's Advisory Committee to make the final decision, based on their recommendation.

In an 8-2 vote, the committee chose the student senate-supported option to create an open parking system. The new system will create one permit valid in any campus parking lot, excluding handicapped and resident student parking. Faculty, staff, and commuter students would purchase the same permit for $90 and find parking on a first come, first serve basis.

The option that lost, which was to create a zoning system, was backed by the faculty senate and carried wide support from both faculty and staff on campus. This proposal would have created a tiered system where only faculty and staff could park in the zone closest to campus buildings but also have the option of parking in outer zones.

Glenn Perry, the SSA Off-campus Senator who pushed for the open system, was relieved that the zone option was voted down, stating this system would have made things worse by giving faculty their pick of spaces and increasing crowding for commuter students.

About the decision, he said, "They evaluated it the way all of them should, not just representing the constituent they're with. Sometimes you just have to give a little, and they did."

Much of Friday's debate came down to overall differences in views. Some thought employee morale was at stake, while others emphasized the continuing importance of customer-based service. In the end, the open parking system was seen as most equitable.

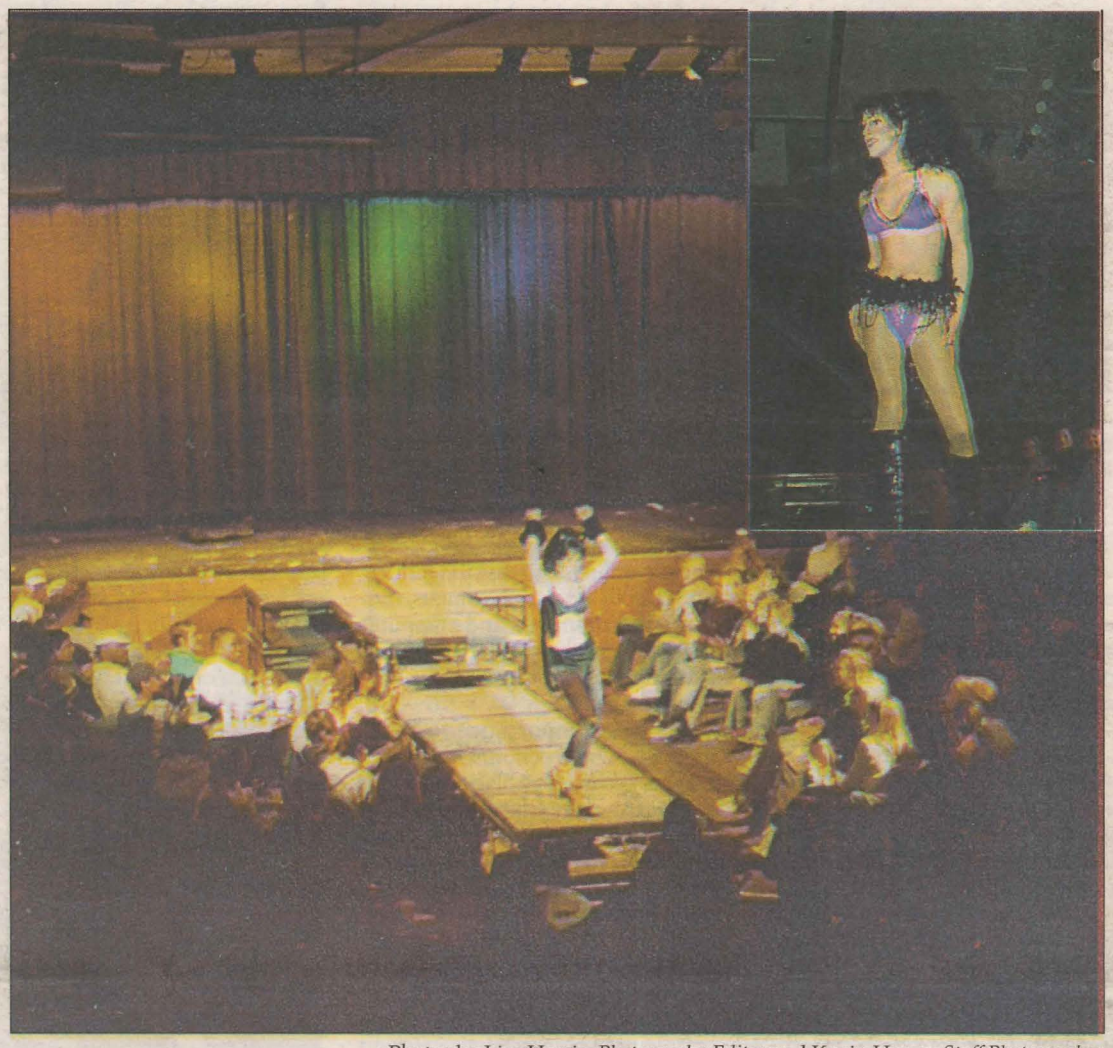
Dick Lowry, one of the faculty members who voted for the tiered system, believes students aren't the only customers and that the university should provide an opportunity for faculty/staff to pay more for preferred parking.

"Next to paying benefits, most employers will tell you parking is one of the greatest problems or needs...parking that is convenient and at a reasonable cost," he said.

The volatile issue reached its

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A scene Stout has NEVER seen!



Photos by Lisa Harris, *Photography Editor* and Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Drag Kings and Queens from Club Metro in the Twin Cities performed Tuesday in the Great Hall. Students gave dollars and kisses as Drag performers danced and lipsynced to musical numbers. The drag show was part of Gay Pride Week, sponsored by SSA and 10% Society.

English Language Institute closing doors

by Nicole Heckmann
Editor-in-Chief

Over 20 international students at UW-Stout are now wondering what they're going to do. After receiving word early this semester that the English Language Institute on fourth floor Harvey Hall will close, they wonder how this could have happened, and where they will now go.

Hao-Jung and Hung-Wei are two such students. A married couple from Taiwan, they are pursuing the same dream as their peers- to learn English in the best possible place, America, and attend an American university.

They came to Stout as many international students do, through word of mouth. Their sister graduated from the ELI and now attends the university, and they wanted to be near her. In a frighteningly new place and not knowing enough English to order food or read street signs, they are now nervous about the future. And now, Hung-Wei is pregnant and wonders how they will even contact doctors for maternal care. Without intensive English studies here, they are forced to move to Madison, where there is a program, and away from their sister, the one family member they have here.

ELI staff members, now out of a job, and many other members of the university are mourning the loss of this program that began 12 years ago with two small rooms and a box of chalk and soon became an emblem of global thought and internationalizing at the university.

> "When the ELI began losing money, the administration responded by cutting services to students, further weakening the program."
>
> Anonymous
> *UW-Stout faculty member*

The founders too are crushed by the news. "I feel really emotional about this; it's like losing a child," said Sylvia Gengenbach, founder and former ELI director. "It impacted not only Stout, but the entire community."

The Institute, a self-sufficient program started by a few faculty and staff, was aimed at addressing the decreasing numbers of international students at the university, supporting diversity on campus and throughout the community, and keeping the university in step with a global marketplace. Many fear that diversity on campus will again take a blow.

Students from Saudi Arabia, China, Mexico, and Japan and elsewhere hear about the ELI each year in their homelands and over 20 percent of them go on to enroll in the university. They receive several levels of language training, a transitional program to prepare them for undergraduate academic work, and assistance from American student tutors and conversation partners.

The problem, according to university officials who made the decision, is not philosophical- it comes down to money. John Hunt, Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has an accounting background and based on the numbers, sees no way out of this.

"Since six or seven years ago, the ELI has functioned in a deficit. We can only operate in the red for so long," he said.

Opinions vary on why the Institute had financial troubles. Some believe it had to do with management later in the ELI's career, some say the ELI was not marketing aggressively enough, and others believe it's due to the Asian economic crisis which kept many students from being able to afford the ELI's tuition. Yet others believe no one is to blame, that perhaps the industry is just not there.

While there is also debate on when the real money problems started, it seems to be agreed that the ELI could not go on this way. The

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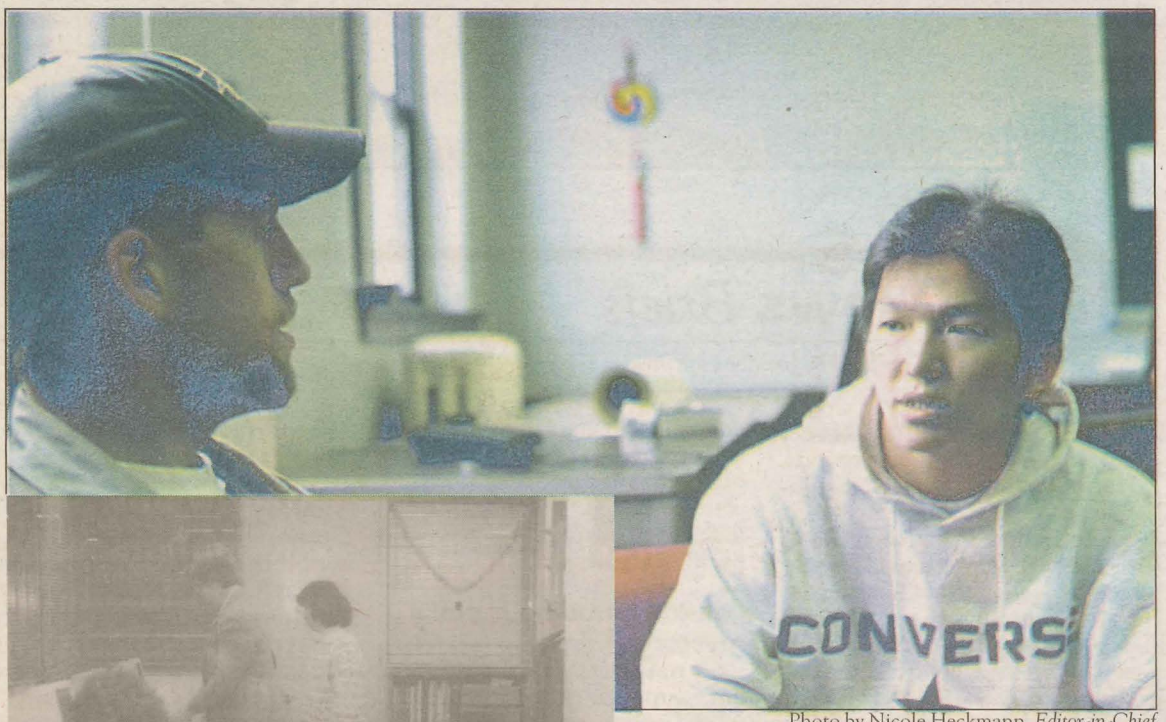


Photo by Nicole Heckmann, *Editor-in-Chief*



Submitted photo

After 12 years, the ELI is being shut down
INSET: The ELI began in Jarvis Hall with only one room and a storage closet to teach English to international students.
ABOVE: Conversation partners meet weekly in the ELI Resource Center in Harvey Hall. The ELI today looks much different, but is still student-oriented.

Professor evaluations accessible

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

An important, but not widely known fact is that before students register for a class they have the option of looking at student evaluations on professors from prior classes.

At the end of every semester, students are asked to take a brief five-minute survey on professors' performance throughout the semester course. The reality is that many students never know where their evaluations go, or even how they are able to benefit from them.

An overall mean score is gathered from the results of each question and is combined into a book for student access in different locations on campus.

Yet this evaluation book has not been updated since 1997. Without a current book, students are unable to receive feedback on professors new to UW-Stout.

Ben Garvens, SSA President, said, "Without an effective and efficient evaluation, no results are seen over a long period of time. You can't tell if a teacher's performance has changed unless the same questions are asked each time the survey is handed out." With different chair members entering office each year, evaluations are supposed to be changed periodically.

Garvens has proposed making teacher evaluations readily available prior to taking a course. With the help of Computer Integrated Design students, a web page is being prepared to allow students access and to comment freely on professor performance and style.

This web page would allow easy access for students to find professors who fit their learning needs. "As a transfer student, I think a web access would be a great idea to help those new to Stout find out about a professor's teaching style," Christine Dix, Art Education major, said.

Administration foresees a problem with an internet evaluation site. "They don't want to see their teachers slammed in the wrong way," Garvens said.

The fine details of this project are still in the making. Guidelines are being formed to ensure professors don't feel intimidated by the process or have to worry about being slashed.

Many students argue a better and more effective system needs to be implemented to provide them more knowledge about a professor before they take a course. "It would be nice to have an idea about a professor before you have already registered for the course," John Ryberg, Industrial Technology major, said.

Until the web page is completed, students will resort to word of mouth, possibly through talking with the professor, or they can consult the evaluation book compiled from question results made in 1997 on the teachers who handed out surveys to students.

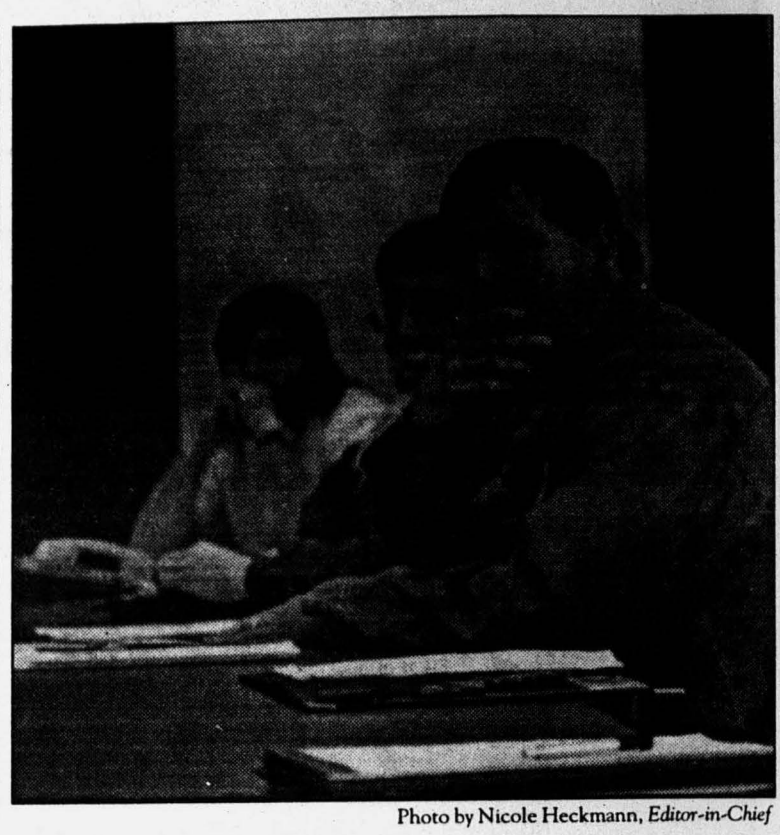


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SSA members, faculty, and staff made a decision Friday to switch to an open parking system, one that would do away with preferred parking on campus for faculty and staff. This will take effect next semester.

Permanent CIO search begins

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

A Chief Information Officer (CIO) is an information executive who uses technology as a basis for making decisions and running a company. Many students are not aware that nearly all college campuses have a CIO, and this person is an integral part of the campus.

Although many campuses have a CIO, they are often called the Assistant Chancellor for Information Technology. Those who go by this title often perform other administrative duties, not just information technology.

UW-Stout is currently searching for a permanent CIO. The interim CIO, Joe Brown, is one of the candidates for the position. Brown had been acting as the temporary CIO for approximately two years. It was recently decided that a full-time CIO was needed to help Stout move smoothly into the new millennium.

What a CIO actually does on campus may not be common knowledge. Duties include assisting in technology-related aspects on campus, running the computers and computer lab programs, keeping the Internet working, and assisting with the telephone system.

As far as importance to Stout itself, a CIO also performs long-range campus technology planning, helps with technology education on campus, and improves research capabilities on the Internet. A specific project for the new CIO will be to build and maintain the ATM network, which is a high-speed campus network that is being installed to improve communication.

Although a CIO candidate needs certain technology education and training to be qualified for the position, it is more important that the candidates understand the role of technology in education, and its use in the classroom. Technology affects aspects of every student's life in areas such as distance education, on-line courses, and e-mail.

The interviewing process is a long, thorough one, which begins with the candidates having breakfast with the Chancellor's Cabinet, followed by meetings and interviews all day. According to Brown, the process makes for "a long day".

After the interviewing process is complete, Stout's new CIO will be determined in just a few weeks and is expected to beginwork on July 1.

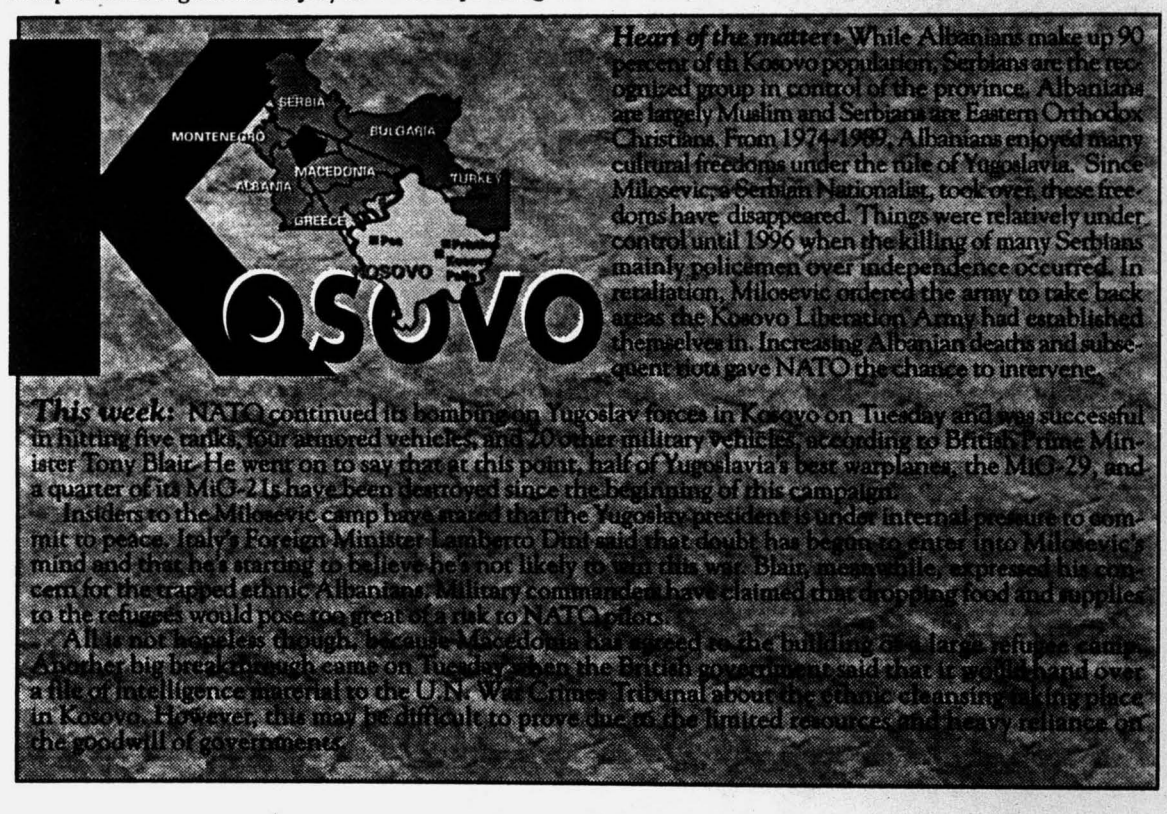
Parking /system restructured

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peak when a 1997 survey showed lack of space as the number one complaint from students and faculty.

Since then, Perry has been campaigning to change what he sees as an inequitable system, one that favors faculty and staff over students. He pointed out that during peak hours, empty faculty spots could always be found while student parking was crowded. Others felt the same, that an open parking system would ensure that everyone on campus, regardless of position at the university, would get a fair shot at a parking space.

Compounding the issue is the Communications Center and Recreation Complex, where large projects scheduled over the next couple years will take away over 500 parking spaces.



Heart of the matter: While Albanians make up 90 percent of th Kosovo population, Serbians are the recognized group in control of the province. Albanians are largely Muslim and Serbians are Eastern Orthodox Christians. From 1974-1989, Albanians enjoyed many cultural freedoms under the rule of Yugoslavia. Since Milosevic, a Serbian Nationalist, took over, these freedoms have disappeared. Things were relatively under control until 1996 when the killing of many Serbians mainly policemen over independence occurred. In retaliation, Milosevic ordered the army to take back areas the Kosovo Liberation Army had established themselves in. Increasing Albanian deaths and subsequent riots gave NATO the chance to intervene.

This week: NATO continued its bombing on Yugoslav forces in Kosovo on Tuesday and was successful in hitting five tanks, four armored vehicles, and 20 other military vehicles, according to British Prime Minister Tony Blair. He went on to say that at this point, half of Yugoslavia's best warplanes, the MIG-29, and a quarter of its MiG-21s have been destroyed since the beginning of this campaign.

Insiders to the Milosevic camp have stated that the Yugoslav president is under internal pressure to commit to peace. Italy's Foreign Minister Lamberto Dini said that doubt has begun to enter into Milosevic's mind and that he's starting to believe he's not likely to win this war. Blair, meanwhile, expressed his concern for the trapped ethnic Albanians. Military commanders have claimed that dropping food and supplies to the refugees would pose too great of a risk to NATO pilots.

All is not hopeless though, because Macedonia has agreed to the building of a large refugee camp. Another big breakthrough came on Tuesday when the British government said that it would hand over a file of intelligence material to the U.N. War Crimes Tribunal about the ethnic cleansing taking place in Kosovo. However, this may be difficult to prove due to the limited resources and heavy reliance on the goodwill of governments.



Police *Beat*

Complied by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Animal complaint

A male yellow labrador retriever was reported running loose in the Applied Arts building. An officer was dispatched and captured the dog. It was taken to the Menomonie Housing Shelter for Lost Animals.

Suspicious activity

Two staff members reported their Home Economics offices broken into. The first occured April 15 when a staff member reported that upon entering her office, her computer was turned on. She was not in her office the previous day and remembers turning off her computer. Another staff reported that upon arrival in the morning, her office light was on and a message on her computer said it was shut down improperly. There were no signs of forced entry and there are no suspects.

Attempted burglary

While an officer was on duty, he noticed that a shed doors were open (near Nelson Field). The officer checked the area and found a bike outside the shed. The lock to the building had been broken. At this time, it is unknown if anything was taken.

Citations/arrests

During April 12-20, there was one criminal arrest warrant issued, one theft of library materials, eight underage drinking violations, two disorderly conducts, one exit from building via window, and one citation for a controlled substance.



University *Notes*

Complied from Jasmine Hollyfield from submitted news releases

Native American speakers

Dr. Donna Hightower Langston from Mankato State University and Ben Benson from American Indian Affairs will be speaking on American Indian female activism in the 50s and 60s. They will be in the Glass Lounge (Commons) Thursday at 4:30p.m. This event is sponsored by SPIRITS.

Great Strides

A walk to cure Cystic Fibrosis is being held on Saturday, May 1 at Lake Calhoun (Minneapolis, MN). Check-in is at 9 a.m. and the walk begins at 10. If there are any questions, contact Bill at x-3744. This event is sponsored by DECA.

Dial M for Murder

The Menomonie Theater Guild will be putting on a production of the Frederick Knott play *Dial M for Murder*. The play will begin at 8 p.m. on April 23, 24, 29, 30 and May 1. On April 25 and May 2 it will begin at 2 p.m. The play will take place at the Mabel Tainter Theater. Tickets are $10 and can be purchased by calling the Mabel Tainter Box Office at 235-0001.



News *Briefs*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield

Colorado school masacre

On Tuesday, two gunmen, Eric Harris, 18, and Dylan Klaebold, 17, entered Columbine High School, killing 15 and then killing themselves. The victims laid where they had fallen for 24 hours while police searched the school for explosives. The gunmen were believed to be supporters of Adolf Hitler, often wearing nazi symbols and choosing his birthday for the murders. Hundreds of students and parents gathered on Wednesday to mourn the victims.

Two killed in explosion

Two were killed on Tuesday in an explosion at a chemical plant in Tamaqua, PA (near Allentown). No casualties or other injuries were reported. The blast originated from the plant's mixing and packing facility.

London bombing is still a mystery

A nail bomb exploded in a busy supermarket in Brixton, south London, on Saturday, April 17. The bomb injured at least 48 people and contained about six to 10 pounds of nails. Scotland Yard said there was no warning of the attack and believed it may have been racially motivated. (Brixton is known as the center of black culture in London). A possible breakthrough came on Monday when someone called Scotland Yard claiming to have set off the bomb. The man said he was from the right-wing organization known as Combat 18. Detectives are still investigating the crime and aren't taking the call seriously because the caller falsely identified the bombing day as 'yesterday', when it actually took place on Saturday. Detectives are studying closed circuit television footage taken at the bombing site and are unable to pinpoint specific suspects.

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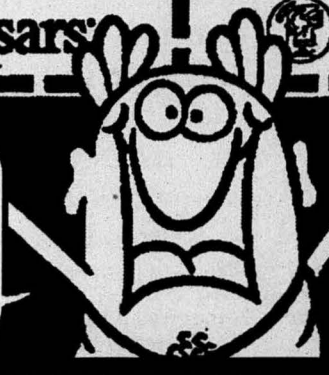
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Editorial

A Family Weekend threat?

The Stout Student Association has received criticism for the Gay Pride Week events they brought to campus, which also fell on Family Weekend. Some have said it was inappropriate to have a Gay Pride March on a day when parents and grandparents were touring the campus.

The sheer irony of this statement shows how little some at Stout know of the world around them. To say that a Gay Pride March can threaten the morals of Family Weekend is to say that families all over are threatened. The fact is that many American families are gay themselves; they represent the incredible diversity of this country. We must stop seeing gay America and American families as incompatible.

SSA, who touts diversity education as one of its goals, did something clearly aimed at this and they should be applauded for it. The SSA Senator who brought these events to campus, as well as the entire student government, took a huge risk. They believed there is no better forum for acceptance and education than on a college campus. Hopefully they won't be proven wrong.



One student commented in last week's **Stoutonia** that they were afraid of what their parents would think of Stout after they saw the march. Well, if they are like many older generations, they probably didn't like it. But how would this reflect badly on Stout? After all, colleges around the world held such events long ago, and as a forward-thinking university, it's about time we challenged thought this way. No one has to agree with the gay lifestyle, just as no one has to believe the view of their economics professor, but the opportunity to learn and make an educated judgment must be there.

As seen by the Matthew Shepard killing in Wyoming, many educated college students still believe that being gay should not afford someone the same civil rights and protections as say, being black does. There's a sense on this campus, and surely many others, that gay rights is a laughable issue. The march, transgender speakers, and drag show were somehow seen as pure entertainment rather than carrying a serious message.

One thing is clear, no matter what side of the issue is taken, the gay movement won't go away. Homosexuality has been around since written history, and it, like women's rights and civil rights, will not stop until the message is heard. For better or worse, this is our reality. And at Stout, a culturally and politically dead campus, challenging the norm is exactly what the doctor ordered.

Letters

Dear Editor:

We are writing you in regards to the articles about the RAs that have been fired this year. We are first year RAs and are acquainted with a few of the RAs that have been fired. We are NOT condoning their actions. We are writing because there are more than 80 Resident Advisors that have not been fired this year and we deserve some positive recognition.

The Resident Advisor job is not the easiest job in the world. We wear many different hats as RAs, this includes but is not limited to, friend, counselor, leader, role model, and disciplinarian for the residents of the halls we live in. Also, remember that we are students trying to get a degree, members of families that have their own problems, and employees of the Department of Residence Life. Each role carries with it a different set of responsibilities. It is difficult to know which hat to put on in each situation.

Residence Life trains us as best they can but there isn't always a clear cut solution for every situation. In our opinion there is no training that could have taught us to deal with every situation we have had to deal with as RAs. Some things we just have to learn on the job. We make our decisions and act on them based on the facts that we are aware of at the time. We don't always make the best choices but "to err is human" and we live with the choices we have made.

All of us have one thing in common; we have been labeled RAs and we cannot escape that label anywhere on or around campus. We live in a fishbowl. Everyone watches us and judges us, whether on the job or not.

Sit and try to imagine being in a position where the border between friend and authority figure is invisible. Your peers are your residents, your residents are your peers.

Some of the RAs who were terminated were or would have been good at their job had they used better judgement or fully evaluated the situation before acting on it.

True, we knew what we were getting into when we took on the role of RA, but along with this job we didn't anticipate the insensitivity or lack of full reporting. We hear bits and pieces of the actual story, not just through **the Stoutonia** but campus wide as well. Before you talk and tarnish someone's job listen to the rest of the story and don't turn "small baseball bat" into a three foot Louisville slugger.

Respectively submitted,

Sheri Hineman, RA and
Morgan Meyer, RA

Editor response:

All students should know what a excellent job many RAs do and I think you are a good example of the conscientious and dedicated people that take on such a position. We would, however, like to point out that these RAs were not fired for small nuances in their judgement- they clearly crossed a line, one that any reasonable person could see. Drinking on the job, inviting large numbers of residents to drink with you, and carrying a bat of any size while doing rounds are all clearly inappropriate, so clearly inappropriate that they were relieved of their duties. Perhaps some are just not cut out to be RAs. All those that are, and handle their job with integrity, should be applauded.

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the 1,100 Special Olympics athletes that we serve, I want to thank the students of UW-Stout for their generosity in raising over $1,300 during our recent Hugs Dollars campaign on your campus. WOW! You will be listed as the major sponsors for our Area Track and Field Meet to be held on May 8 at the McPhee Track on the upper campus of Eau Claire. I hope you will come, cheer on our athletes, and wear something that says Stout on it - you deserve all the recognition we can give you for your efforts.

Special thanks to Karen Merry and Adam Pease who headed the campaign. They along with many others gave not only their time, talent, and money, but their hearts to our athletes. We are truly grateful for your efforts. See you at the track meet.

Sincerely,

Andrea Sullivan
Development Director, Indianhead Area Special Olympics

Apology

The Stoutonia regrets any harm the April 15 article on JTC hauntings may have inflicted on the friends and family of a student that died in that hall. We did not intend for the article to be tied to the name of any individual and were reflecting the information students gave to our reporter.

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The legalities of wheeling a play vehicle

by Jake Groshek
Staff Reporter

Is it illegal to ride a bicycle? Is lacing up a pair of rollerblades or riding a skateboard a criminal activity? In designated areas of Menomonie, the answer to these questions is a resounding yes.

Even though most students have heard rumors about these rules, many simply disregard them or are unaware of where they can or cannot ride. Despite signs on the corners of restricted streets and sidewalks, students continue to violate a city ordinance. The term "play vehicle" found on these signs is vague, but refers to bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, or any other similar wheeled vehicle.

The city of Menomonie has designated the downtown sidewalk district off limits to play vehicles. This area begins on Broadway St. at North Campus and continues to the Communications Center. These same play vehicles are also not permitted on the sidewalk of Main St. from the corner of Broadway St. to the intersection with Ninth St.

No rollerblades or skateboards are allowed on the street in this defined area, and riders must conform to all traffic laws. The penalty for violating this ordinance, which is enforced by the Menomonie Police Department, is $98.30.

On campus, bicycles and rollerblades are permitted to ride freely on all sidewalks and roads, but are not allowed in or on any campus buildings. Skateboards are currently banned from riding anywhere on campus property. Bicycle parking is limited to the appropriate provided bike racks and bicycles are not to be locked to benches, handrails, or any other structure. Should a bicycle be found improperly locked, campus police will place their own lock on the bicycle, and the owner will be subject to a fine. Pulling tricks or dangerous maneuvers on campus is also prohibited on any play vehicle. A violation of any regulation can lead to a fine of $147.50.

The reason for these ordinances governing play vehicles, according to the police, is pedestrian and operator safety. Following several instances of pedestrians getting hit by bikers or rollerbladers, the ordinance was created to promote a more shopper-friendly downtown district. There is no likelihood of these ordinances being revoked, so all riders will have to learn to abide by them, or risk the possible consequences.

> **"Hell, I'm not even suppose to ride (my bike) to the bike shop."**
>
> Darrell Walsh
> *UW-Stout Student*

These rules seem to be unpopular with most students who feel they have the right to ride wherever they choose. Stout student and self- proclaimed "expert biker" Darrell Walsh said, "I think it's a bunch of crap I can't ride my bike to the Leevers or the bank. Hell, I'm not even supposed to ride (my bike) to the bike shop. Does that make any sense?" Officer Randy Richter of the Menomonie Police Department stressed that while the ordinance may be inconvenient for some, it is important to maintain the safety of the downtown area, for both pedestrians and play vehicle riders.

The current construction on Crescent St. limits the ability of North Campus students to ride to class. Officer Richter recommended that these students should take Second St. West to avoid potential injuries and citations. Further information regarding play vehicles in Menomonie can be found at http://www.uwstout.edu/police. Should questions still remain, the Menomonie Police Department can be reached at 232-2198.

As a service to the community, the UW-Stout and Menomonie Police Departments are teaming up to offer bicycle registration this Tuesday, April 27th. They will be outside the Memorial Student Center by the Pawn Patio from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Bicycle registration has a one-time fee of $2, and helps aid police in recovering stolen bicycles as well as helping to prevent bicycle theft. Both agencies strongly recommend every bicycle owner take advantage of this opportunity to prevent future problems.

During the Crescent Street construction, rollerblading will be allowed on sidewalks of South Broadway for access from North Campus to South Campus.



The prohibited areas for play vehicles are much of the downtown area. The sidewalks of Broadway and Main are the two main regions to stay away from.

It can be said that biking, rollerblading and skateboarding are all unique art forms. When showing the moves, remember to stay away from the restricted areas. RIGHT: Sure evidence that campus is used as a practice area for future professional quadropods.

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Kosovo demands thought

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

It started in the year of the 1398. What was then an ancient battle for land has now turned into much more than religious differences. It is an all-out brawl for the land that the Serbs are claiming is their Jereuseleum and the Albanians profess was occupied by their forebearers first. This is a story about a battle with a twisted mix of politics, religion, and culture involved.

Clinton is adamant he has made the right decision in getting involved in the Kosovo conflict. NATO, composed of many world power nations, is carrying out this decision. Yet with these powerful influences dictating our future, how do American citizens really view these acts? And how do students at UW-Stout feel?

To US officials, it may seem imperative that we are involved in this power struggle of another country. Yet to Roberto Mercado, School Psychology graduate, his thoughts have quite a different angle. Mercado elaborated that although it is good to help out with other countries, the United States jumps into situations without thinking of the ramifications of their actions. For some it is difficult to grasp why we are involved when it is reported that Russian missiles are pointed in the direction of NATO nations.

Russia is stating that they will side with Yugoslavia if NATO sends in ground troops. As of present, the U.S. insists ground forces will not be used in the conflict. The first American ground troop arrived Monday, April 19, to protect and service the 24 heavily- armed AH-64s ready to attack the Serbians.

> **"The only reason you bomb is to get ready for invasion."**
>
> Dr. George Smeaton
> *UW-Stout Psychology professor*

Neil Weiland, an Industrial Technology senior, said, "We should be there, although I do not think it is necessary to send in ground troops. It will cause more soldiers to be captured and /or killed; look what the Serbs are doing to their own people in their country."

The wretched misery of the refugees has affected Stout students. So what can be said about the Serbs' efforts of ethnic cleansing taking place? "It sickens me that some people feel they are better than others because of their ethnicity," said Barb Hughs, Marriage and Family Therapy graduate student. Barb explained that she doesn't like to watch the news because it makes her mad and sick to watch people losing everything.

It is a look of misery to other countries who are watching NATO's involvement in this disastrous situation in Kosovo. Susie Anderson, senior Psychology major, feels, "It is unfortunate that other countries' media is so controlled by the government that their viewpoint towards America's efforts is skewed." She believes the media in other countries is causing a negative persona for America.

Kosovo is rapidly deteriorating with the help of NATO bombs. The air strikes to cut off supplies leaves Kosovo in a very difficult predicament in terms of how to supply provisions for people in the country.

"I think that cutting off the supplies is good, but some air strikes are making the situation over there more heated," said Doug Buergar, a junior in Psychology.

The future actions are to everyone unknown at this point. Yet, according to psychology professor Dr. Smeaton, "The only reason you bomb is get ready for an invasion." The truth of this statement will become known as the days press on.

Opinions may differ but one thing is for certain, some Stout students still remain uninformed as to what is happening with the situation in Kosovo. When asked their viewpoint on the situation in Kosovo, the response often was, "I don't know enough information."

Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Chloe discusses her column.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

When writing for a paper, the first thing that comes into my mind is our right to free speech. Although we all recognize the right to it, I also recognize others' rights to criticize or applaud the very tools I use to activate my right. When I receive letters that address my Just Another Day column, I am very sensitive towards the comments within.

I have volunteered my carefree college years to a cause that evokes my passion. While many of you are out or sleeping at three o'clock on Thursday mornings, I am desperately trying to put *your* paper out. I donate my free time to a no-recognition job that I happen to love, the very reason I write Chloe. When the few people who are upset by Chloe's existence call my column a 'whining arena', and tell me I focus only on the negatives in my life, it saddens me tremendously. It saddens me because they have missed the epitome of my purpose.



My aim in writing Chloe is to demonstrate that many small and quirky instances will happen in person's life; you cannot avoid them. In some cases, such as mine, we can assume they will come just as likely as a new day. I share my instances because I want to demonstrate that when something annoying or embarrassing happens, you have two ways to react: you can berate your life and say, 'Poor me', or you can laugh it off and go on living.

Although a majority of the students do understand, maybe my purpose has not been clear enough. So to avoid further confusion, here is my mission statement: I do not marvel in my anonymity nor the negatives in my life; however, I use my ability to laugh at my life and see these instances for what they really are, just small inconveniences. The reason for sharing my exaggerated tales with the students is my way of providing them with their newspaper. Life is a delicate web which we weave ourselves. Life moves, events happen, and we decide how we deal with them. I decide to laugh, and dramatize my life so that others may find enjoyment in my mishaps and say, 'It could be worse'. I have chosen to LOVE my life for the oh-so-many gifts I am blessed with and downplay the small problems that will inevitably occur. I could be wrong, but this is how I define 'looking on the bright side'.

Chloe isn't about drowning in self-pity, or needlessly grasping for attention. Obviously if this was its intent, I would print my real name so that everyone could offer their shoulder for me to cry my dramatized tears on. That is not who I am. If one would look past their own accusations and assumptions, they would realize my article is meant to touch people- to reach people. (The word is irony. If anyone needs a further definition, read *A Modest Proposal* by Jonathan Swift.)

I wish life was like Burger King where its always 'Your way, right away', but unfortunately this isn't realistic. The same concept goes with the newspaper. I would love to have an article or column that every single student loves, but it isn't going to happen. I have received enough compliments on my column to last me a lifetime. A big thank you goes out to all that faithfully read it each week and take it for what it is.

For those of you who have been very vocal with your distaste, I would like to leave you with these thoughts: before you insult someone's work, ask yourself if you really understand their intent or if you are reacting to your own interpretations. Then think about how you would feel if someone blatantly disrespected a job that you donated your time to. Finally, ask yourself if you would be willing to act on your criticisms. The Stoutonia is now hiring.

Student seeks a lifetime of knowledge



Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

It's just another day for Bohdan Halushka. He can be seen walking thru campus, attending classes as a student, and taking the steps to receive his final, and fifth, degree.

by Sarah Blarek
Staff Reporter

How much knowledge does it take to get by? A lifetime, according to Bohdan Halushka, known as the most educated student at Stout. Halushka has four degrees, including a Masters in Guidance and Counseling, and is attempting to finish two more before completing his formal education.

Halushka, who is often mistaken for a professor, was born in the Ukraine and eventually moved to Bonn, Germany where he studied economics. He received a teaching degree from UW-Eau Claire after moving to the U.S. His favorite major is Guidance and Counseling, from which he has two degrees as an Education Specialist, and his Masters. Halushka has been at Stout since 1991, and has approximately one year left before completing the Child Development program as well as the Family Studies program.

Halushka's feeling is that it's not the actual degrees that he needs, but the knowledge that he gains from them. He firmly believes that knowledge begins at the neonatal stage and continues to the end of life, and he uses each opportunity to ensure that he makes the most of this quest.

"I'm particularly interested in adolescents at risk. I wrote my thesis for Guidance and Counseling on this topic. I have also built up expertise on families at risk and intervention. The benefit of having so much education is that I am more qualified and specialized. I can look at problems from different perspectives. Actually, I am more generalized and more specialized at the same time," said Halushka.

He also feels that he is an intermediary between age groups, speaking the language of both adults and young people. When he has completed his collegiate goals, he plans to go into teaching, research, or community services.

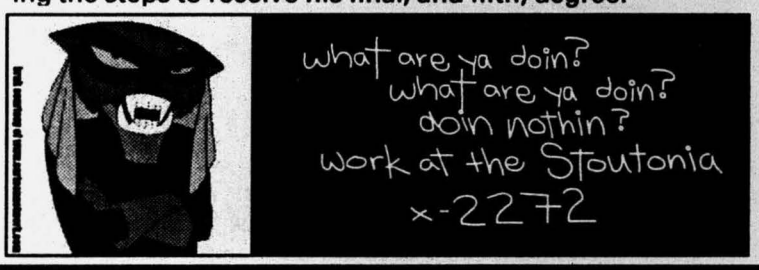
Halushka has four children, two male and two female, ranging in age from 26-55. They live in different places all over the United States, including Florida and California. He speaks with them often over the phone. In addition to conversing with his children and studying, he works on campus for the Dean of Students on an alcohol prevention planning task force that will help students.

"My relationship with other students at Stout is good; they regard me with curiosity, and ask me all kinds of questions. I am also very comfortable with my professors here; they are very supportive of me," Halushka said. However, he is very uncomfortable with the administration at Stout, who recently declined his application for financial aid, which he had been receiving prior to the 1998-99 academic year. He has continually petitioned this decision, and made another attempt to reverse it through the Board of Regents earlier this week.

The administration is sympathetic towards Halushka, but cannot renew his financial aid because he has exceeded a 150 percent ceiling of his graduate requirements. This limit applies to each student, and is calculated based on the number of credits earned.

"The Board of Regents is obligated to set limits and not exceed them. The taxpayers are the ones that have to pay for any default over this limit; we are acting within the law and in the interest of the public. We don't want to hurt the individual, but this is the right thing for the public and the taxpayers,"John Enger, Director of University Relations, said.

Halushka will continue to challenge the administration on this issue.



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Under investigation for: Being a newly formed faction, much of the complaints received have been based on creating the organization alone. A past SSA president is rumored to have brought these people together with the help of seven other notorious gangsters of various backgrounds. Although they started from the ground up, charges have already been made against GCX. Among them are creating a mentoring program and involving LaMont Meinen in their conspiracies.

Common Misconception: This organization runs under a classical heirarchy. Instead, evidence has supported the accusations that this group is actually team- based.

Current reports have suggested: Money has been laundered from Westconsin Credit Union and into the GCX bank account. Money has also been reported missing from professors in the Graphic Communications program.

Suspicious behavior: A source has reported elections for new leaders were held on Tuesday. This suggests much action taking place within the next year. People are advised to beware.

Future investigations concerning: There has been talk on the streets that this group has plans to target next year's incoming freshmen. It is evident GCX has plans to get these people to do their dirty work.

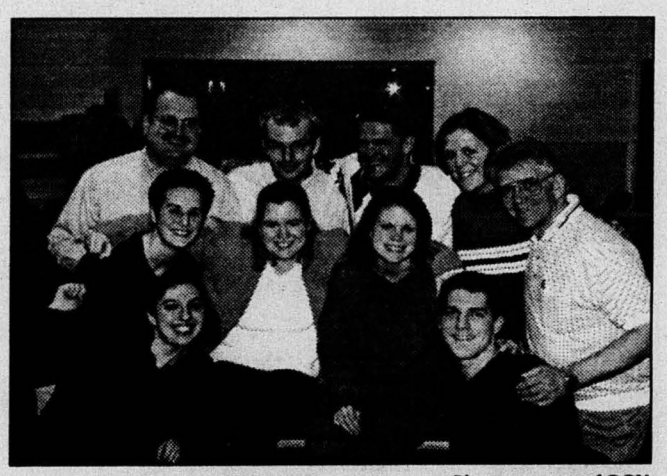
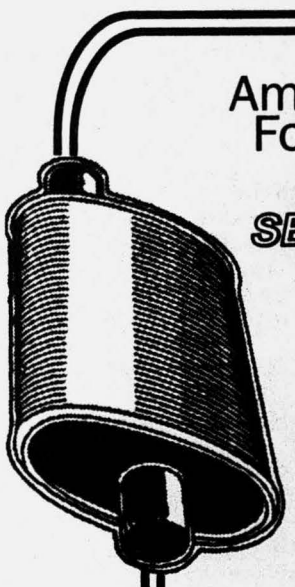


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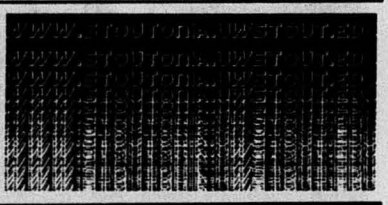
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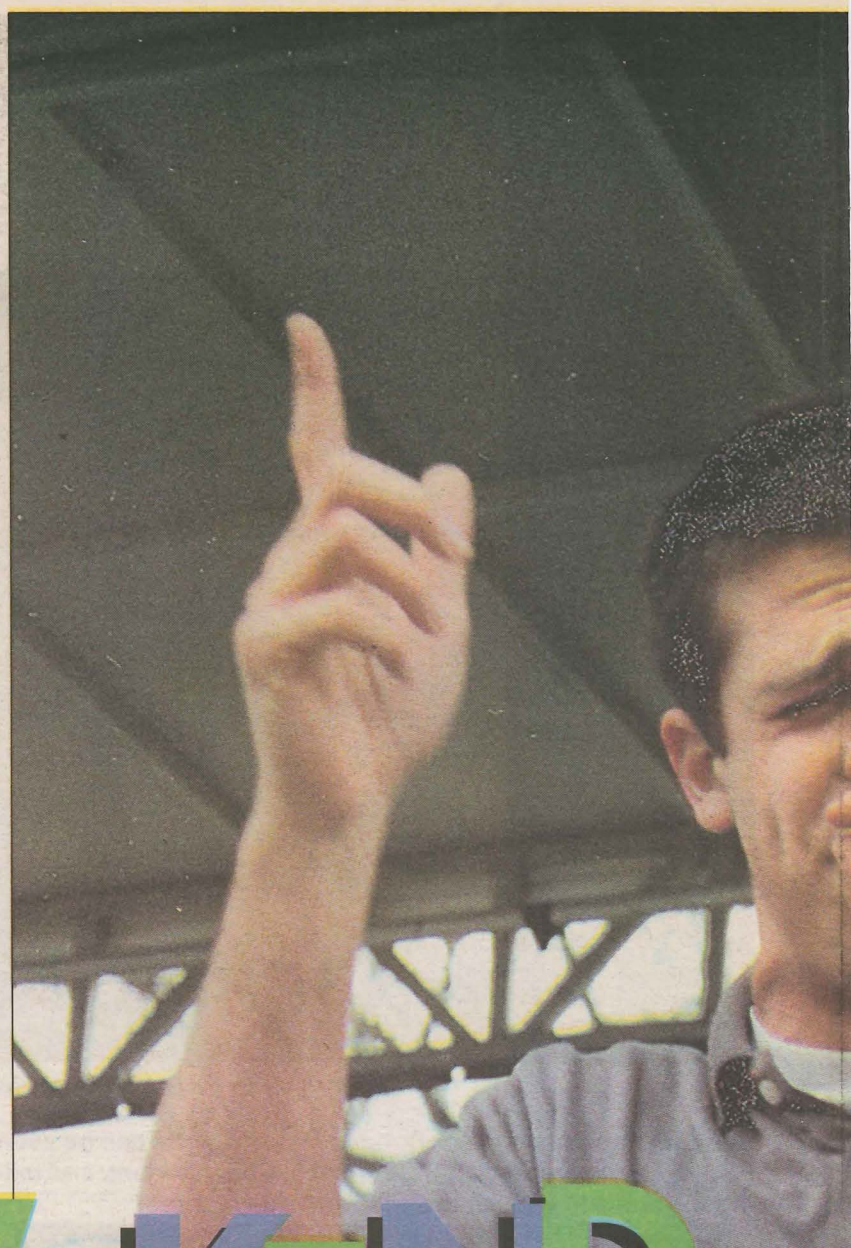


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Right: The Symphonic Singers directed by Dr.Patrick Liebergen performed harmoniously during Family Weekend. Also featured in the concert was the UW-Stout band.

Below: Shangoya's, a reggae and salsa band, started off FYE sponsored Bash on the Grass and contributed to its uniqueness.





FAMILY WEEKEND

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

Despite less than favorable weather, Family Weekend achieved what it set out to accomplish- to make this Family Weekend different from all others.

The weekend began with the Student Best of Design show and the Psychology Club Brat Fry. The Alph Phi Sorority and Chi Lambda Fraternity teamed up to begin their non-stop Teeter-Tot-a-Thon in support of Cardiac Care that would continue through Sunday. Friday also marked the opening of the play "Harvey."



Photo submitted by Heather DeVos

Above: Models in the ADMA Fashion show pose for a colorful picture. The show was a huge success, completely filling the Great Hall and turning away those who had not previously purchased tickets.

Events on Saturday ran from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a wide variety to choose from. The ADMA Fashion Show was a sold-out affair. Those unfortunate ones who didn't purchase a ticket early were turned away.

Other events held on Saturday included IGC Olympics, AHMA "Dirt Cheap Auction", and the Medieval Banquet. The night was topped off with the Renaissance Festival performers Puke-n-Snot.

Family Weekend was brought to a close with the FYE-sponsored "Bash on the Grass". The three bands brought out a sizeable crowd by encompassing a broader range of musical tastes. Sunday also coincided with the Stout's first celebration of Gay Pride Week. The SSA-organized Gay Pride March was held on Sunday- with other Family Weekend Events.

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Below: Besides widely publicized events, other entertainment and se keeping mouths occupied by selling suckers. Starla Dixon, Student A played dress-up while lipsyncing and karaokeing to the song of their



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Above: From the Renaissance Festival, the two man group Puke-n-Snot performed their uniquely-humored comedy skit on Saturday night for students and families.

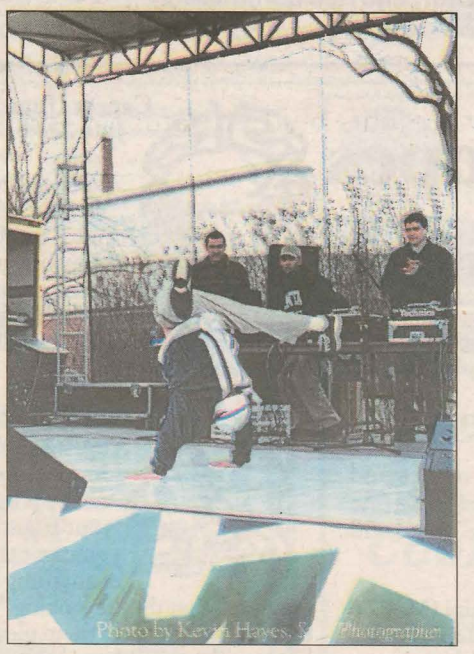
Center: One of the emcees from hip-hop group Rhyme Sayers, Eyedea, demonstrates his lyrical abilities. Freestyling on random topics from the crowd, Rhyme Sayers was able to impress and entertain bashers, while bringing Family Weekend to a successful close.

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...vices were provided to students and their families. Alpha Phi contributed to ...tivities Director, delivered brats to fill stomachs. Stars were born as students ...hoice. Students were given a free video to remember the experience always.







Above: During "Bash on the Grass", students jumped to to the chance to play in the inflatable velcro wall and obstacle course for quirky fun.

Above: Daylight from the Battlecats Breakdance Crew displayed his floor tactics during the Rhymesayer's set, combining dance and music for the Bashers.

Rhymesayers gives Stout a new Atmosphere

Through cold weather and a groggy Sunday afternoon crowd, Rhymesavers Entertainment heated up the stage and delivered a smoking show Stout students had yet to see at a Bash on the Grass.

The task took a true effort, which was apparent from the get-go as Slug, RSE's label rep, coaxed the crowd nearer to the stage in freestyle form, begging, "Come on Stout. Can ya help me out?"

Slug then left the mike open to his label mates, who picked up the tempo, following the freestyle format. Phillipe of the native ONES kidded the crowd, saying, "At the university, there's no beer here...But that's okay, we'll hit the LQ on the way back to Minnesota."

From this beginning freestyle set, the show became wide open as every RSE entertainer had their chance in the limelight.

The duet known as the native ONES were next to take the mike, giving Stout a little Spanish style to open the show. Phillipe once again had a direct effect on the crowd, asking for crowd participation in finding out how many will be down with him in "The Revolution."

Following their cue, Eyedea and Extreme took their turn. Eyedea delivered a five minute comic-form rap, putting smiles on the faces of most of the Stout crowd before letting Extreme take over.

I was amazed by Eyedea's stage presence and his ability to command the flow. To the amazement of most, the rapper is a seventeen-year-old junior at Highland High School in Saint Paul. Keeping that in mind, Eyedea's abilities are only bound to improve with experience, turning him into an on-stage powerhouse.

As Extreme grabbed the mike, he initially apologized for his profanity-filled language, then proceeded to shout lyrics which came directly from the heart.

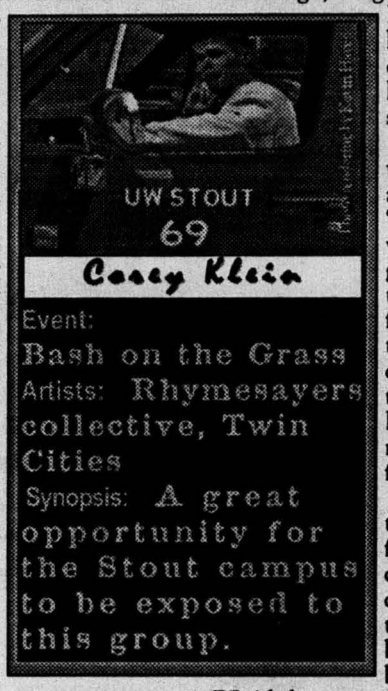
Rapping was not the only art form displayed at the show as DJ's Abilities, Judo, and Francisco also livened up the crowd. Break dancer Daylight from the Battlecats also showed off to the Stout community, performing head spins and moves never seen on this campus.

DJ Abilities demonstrated amazing skill, agility, and experience in entertaining the now-livened crowd. While speeding up and slowing down the tempo, the phenomenon performed behind the back, under the leg, and spin moves to the cheers of Bash on the Grass-ers.

And the ringleader of it all, standing tall and proud, was Slug. The rapper appeared delighted to be at Stout, spending the remainder of the evening, as he had joked onstage, bowling in the MSC.

Onstage, the entertainer has a commanding yet comical presence, playing to the crowd as a court jester would to a king. More than once Slug had the other performers listening intently to him, as he freestyled and dazzled the crowd, hitting on any distant topic.

Slug also took time out to expand on jokes to the crowd, one time hitting on the use of helicopters to enforce speed limits in the state of Wisconsin. As the crowd rollicked in laughter, Slug continued, "That's not funny, that's weak. We caught you twenty miles back with our...air thingy."



To highlight the night, Slug spawned another freestyle form, giving the crowd the option of which topic to rap on - barring sex, drugs, and rock and roll. Both Slug and Eyedea were amazed when the crowd answered 'the war,' putting pressure on the freestylers.

The crew held their own, however, giving a ten minute rhyming commentary on the current events in Eastern Europe.

"Man, you guys are deep," Eyedea stated. "Back home we ask for an idea and we'll get 'Hey, rhyme about weed'!"

The freestyle didn't end there as the war waged on between Slug and Eyedea, again receiving crowd topics for the combatants to rhyme on. To the benefit of Eyedea, his side of the crowd developed 'graffiti' while Slug was forced to defend the viability of 'breakfast cereals'.

Never one to look down on a challenge, Slug attacked furiously, telling Eyedea he needed "to come back when he has a spoon and some milk."

Eyedea never yielded, however, attacking with "Come on, how do you think this kid gets all his advertising?" The freestyle battle was the brightest spot of the evening, as the Stout crowd all laughed at the comments of their favorite rapper.

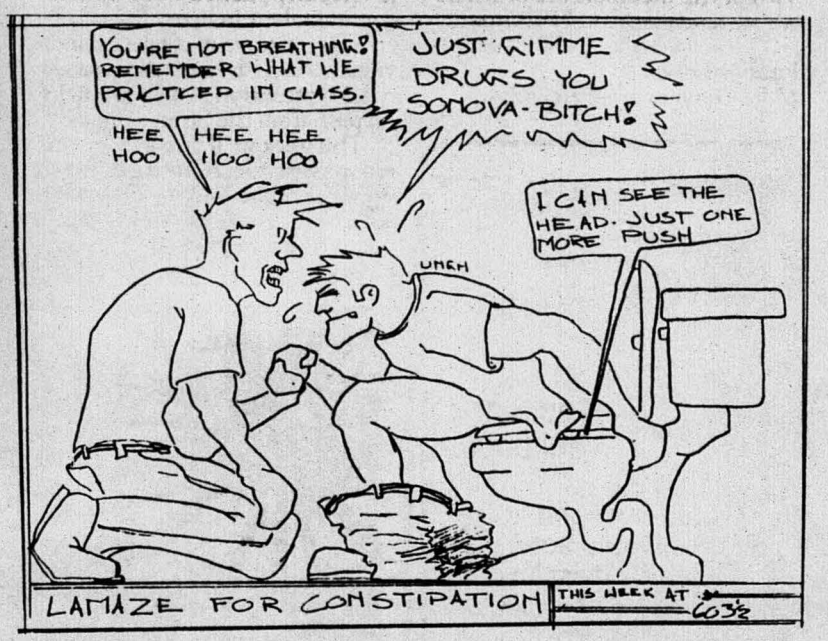
After arguing the merits of graffiti versus breakfast cereals, the show came to an eventual halt. But not before the backbone of the show, DJ Abilities gave the Stout crowd another display on the turntables.

With the visual extravaganza put on by the performers, no one could be disappointed, as this was the best Bash on the Grass in recent times.



Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

Closing out Family Weekend, Rhyme Sayers Entertainment performed for a Stout crowd on the south lawn. Pictured above (Left to Right) are Phillipe, Eyedea, Ballom, and Slug. The group was brought to campus thanks to the efforts of FYE, CMP, and Rec Commission.



Horoscopes



For the week of April 22, 1999 through April 29, 1999

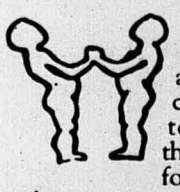
by Missy C. Stars



Aries (March 21 - April 19) You will accidentally step on someone's foot and they will say "Ow!" That's when you usually reply "No pain, no gain." Sometimes people don't like you. You still can't figure out why.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) Just because everyone else is doing a keg stand doesn't mean you have to do one too. Try to start a "new" trend and do a beer bong instead.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) Good day to go on a voyage of self discovery. Be sure not to go too far, though, and be back for dinner. Mom's making pot roast tonight.



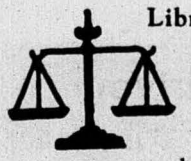
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Today you'll walk in on a secret meeting held by your professors, plotting to give you exams on the same day. You won't think this is weird, however, until they all start dancing around a caldron.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) Good time to compliment your friends. If you can't think of anything nice to say, tell that they're looking "very buff." That will leave them pleased, but you'll notice them looking in the mirror a lot.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) You'll find a way to avoid your enemies. Basically, if you're walking along and the background music changes to an eerie theme and the volume begins to increase, simply turn around and walk the other way.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Excellent day to take up Prairie Dog ranching. Or at least claim to at parties.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) Someone will wear shorts for the first time this spring. You'll be blinded and lose your balance.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Timmy will fall in the well again today.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) You'll know the end of the semester is drawing near when you take a glance around your lecture class to find 70% of the students sleeping after the first five minutes of class.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) Remember today that two wrongs don't make a right. But three do.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Crisply salute everyone you meet today. They'll all be startled into saluting back, and then they'll feel like idiots.

Fuzzbuster poised to ride the *Sonic Burn*

Knowing the recent history of three-brother groups, i.e. Hanson, one has the right to be tentative before picking up the guitar riffs of the group Fuzzbuster. But early into the band's first release *Songs from the Sonic Burn*, one will find themselves relieved, as this band has actual "grown-up" talent.



Phil Shoetvedt

The release:
Songs from the Sonic Burn
The band:
Fuzzbuster
Who: A quartet alternative rock group, two of whom attend Stout.
Synopsis:
An excellent first CD, be on the lookout for their follow-up in mid-June.
Rating: 3 1/2

Fuzzbuster broken down, is a simple concept with a local twist. They are a four member alternative band. Two of the members are brothers who attend classes at UW-Stout.

Fuzzbuster is:
Mike Gravenish—Percussion
Josh Norton—Electric guitar, vocals
Noah Norton—Bass guitar, vocals
Zack Norton—Electric guitar, vocals

As many of us never realize, Stout is virtually packed with up-and-coming talent in many fields.

This is one group of talented individuals which deserves some much-needed attention as well as a helpful push from the Stout campus.

This week we'll take a look at the group's first release entitled "Songs from the Sonic Burn." The album is a ten-track alternative rock album, excluding a hidden track, which extends a total of 47 minutes.

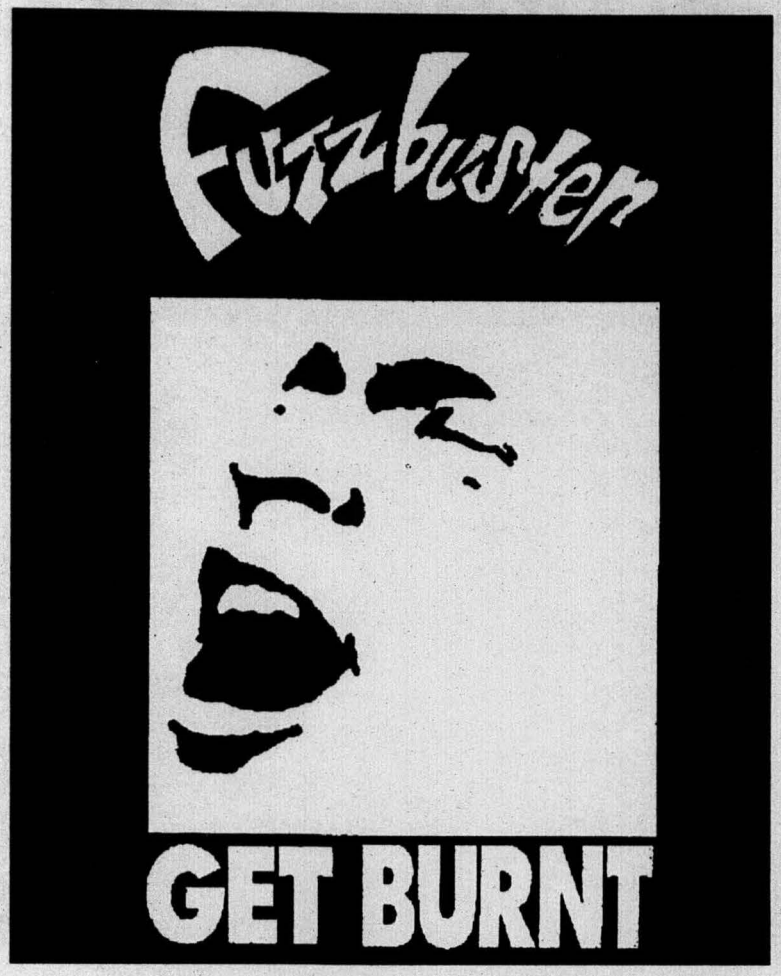


Photo courtesy of Fuzzbuster

An alternative-rock quartet, half of whom attend Stout, are beginning to develop a loyal following. The band will play again in Menomonie on May first.

Unfortunately, the awaiting public won't be able to find the release in many record stores since the band is currently independent, relying on the talent of the band's members for the design and promotion of the CD.

After giving the band a good listen, most will warm up to Fuzzbuster's fantastic guitar melodies and professional sound. The specific style is reminiscent of Aussie import's Silverchair. Some of the songs that set the group apart best include *Astrology*, *Summer Sun*, *Burnt Out*, and *The Kama Sutra*.

On the downside, some tracks, *Marlena* and *Change & Time*, lacked the normal spunk which was present through most of the album.

Fuzzbuster consists of three brothers Josh (electric guitar, vocals), Noah (electric bass, vocals), and older brother Zack Norton (electric guitar, vocals), not to mention their longtime friend Mike Gravenish (Percussion). Twin brothers Josh and Noah are the two members of the band who are currently attending Stout.

They first started in 1994 with the Norton brothers and a drummer. Later, the brothers ditched the "fourth wheel" for friend and current drummer Mike Gravenish in 1995.

From there, the group made four-track demo tapes and passed them out in their relatively small Lake City, Minnesota school. This got the group some local publicity and consequently helped them land some gigs at a few teenage hangouts.

Moving on to a larger market, the group has moved up to bigger and better gigs over the tri-state area of Iowa, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. They are centrally located in Minneapolis and do most of their touring on weekends and summer vacations. According to Josh, the schedule can be difficult with Stout's schoolwork.

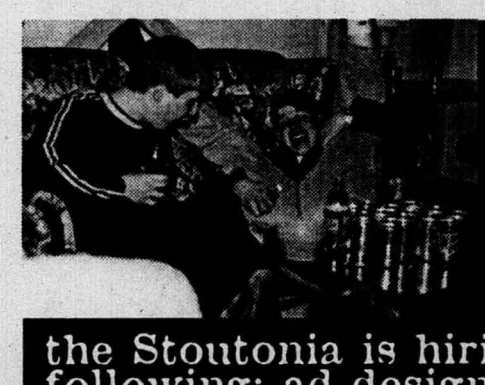
Overall, I found Fuzzbuster to be very appealing. The group definitely has potential and I'm interested to hear what their next album release sounds like, coming out in mid-June.

As it stands, I'm giving Fuzzbuster's first CD a 3 1/2 due to their obvious skill with guitars, but lack of something that sets them apart enough from similar groups.

If you're going to be in Minneapolis this weekend, you can check them out live at Foxfire. But if you won't be in the Minneapolis area, don't worry. The band will be playing with a few other bands on May first in Menomonie when FAA and GDA announce the winners of the band's own poster contest.

Anyone interested in a CD should contact Josh or Noah, who are available on campus.
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Men's Volleyball breaks all records

Submitted by UW-Stout Sports Information

The Stout Men's Volleyball Team had big expectations at the beginning of this year. With four starters back and a pre-season ranking of twenty fifth, the Blue Devils were focusing on a possible national championship.

The team has never been ranked in the top 25 during one of their twenty seasons at Stout, but they finished the season 13th, in 1993, and 19th in last year's season. Stout had gone to nationals last season ranked 30th and beat enough teams to finish 19th. This year marked many records, and many memories.

The Blue Devils pounded through the season demolishing teams for an amazing school record 45-5 (match record) and a 101-17 (game record). To understand the astonishing record is not easy; Stout had not won more than 30 matches and 64 games in one season before this. One more amazing statistic is that three of their five losses on the season were to the would-be 1999 National champions, St. Cloud State.

The team's national tournament appearance was the third ever and second straight for Stout. The team of ten players started their tournament on Thursday, April 8, going undefeated against Cortland College of New York, Carnegie Mellon of Pittsburg, and top-rated Susquehanna University, who was picked to finish in the top five teams.

Stout played their best tournament of the year with great passing and setting that set up their offensive power that has dominated the 1999 season.

"Willie Hall and Justin Crist played their usual dominance in the middle hitter position. They really stepped up their blocking and made a huge difference for our defensive strategy. John Haggard also served some daggers to teams that just couldn't run their offensive around his serving. He really gave them some problems," outside hitter Andy Higgins said.

"The biggest difference in our game was due to Dan Behnke, Andy Higgins, Jason Peterson, and Brian Utley. They gave me great passes all weekend, which gave me options to run our offense. Not once can I remember a shanked pass. This is why we broke the top ten," captain John Haggard said.

Friday's first match up in the championship round was against Stout's biggest rival, the Eau Claire Blue Golds. Eau Claire, who had finished 2nd in the nation in 1998 and had lost five of their six starters, made a rebuilding year into a winning one. The Blue Golds were ranked 23rd going into the tournament, right behind Stout, which was ranked 20th.

The men's team felt their nerves tugging as they traveled so far and ended up playing their closest rivals, but Stout played their "A" game and pounded Eau Claire into a game one loss of 15-9. Stout just needed one more game to beat the Blue Golds, and did just that with sweet vengeance.

They built a 10-0 lead in the second game, which would result in a 15-3 victory for the team.

Stout went on to play another undefeated day of volleyball, beating 19th-ranked Eastern Nazarene and 21st-ranked Boston College. Now it all came down to one day of volleyball. The Blue Devils had made their first-ever run into the Sweet Sixteen.

Their run ended on Saturday, losing for only the fifth time all season to State University of New York – Brockport. Stout finished ninth in the country which is their highest national ranking ever.

Justin Crist finished a great season receiving a second all tournament team reward. Crist was the first to ever receive the award for Stout.

The Blue Devils ran their program with two teams this year competing in their conference. With the added popularity of the sport has come new talent. All are welcome to come try out for the teams which will start up in October.

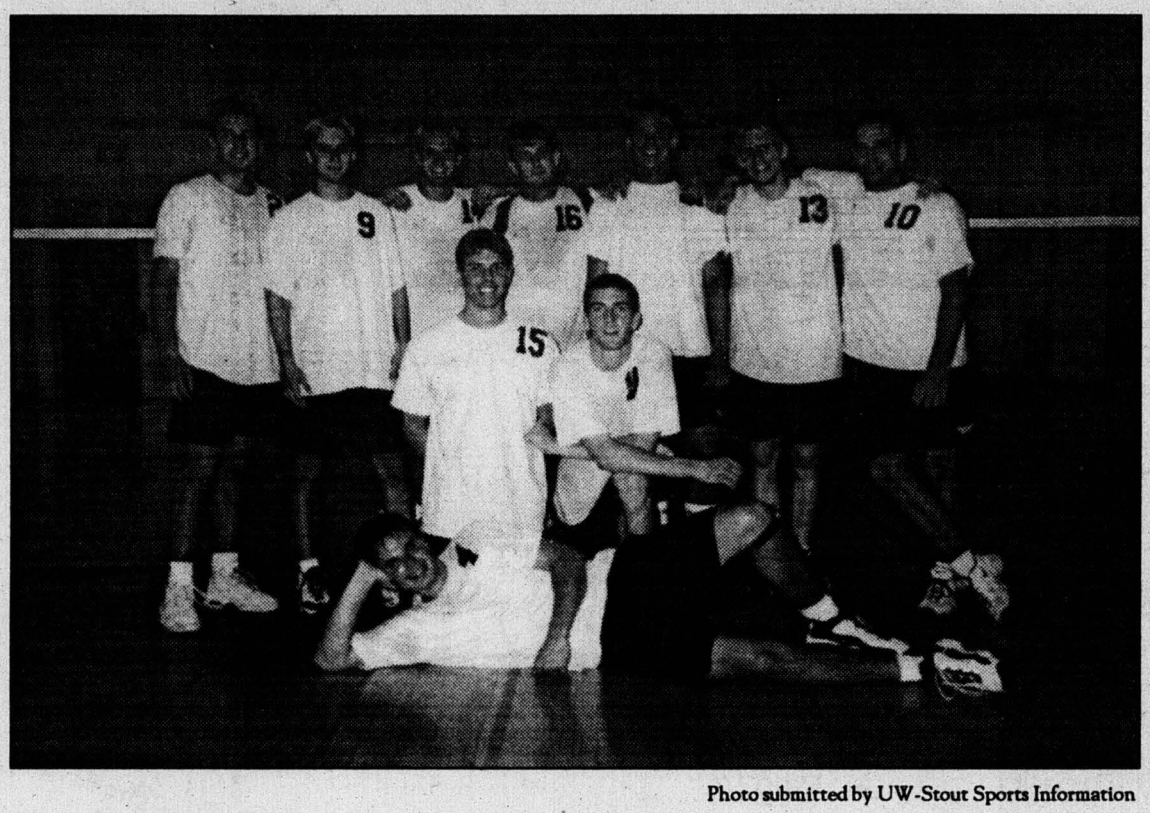


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The Men's Volleyball team poses after a rough day of practice. Finishing the entire season with the best over-all UW-Stout Men's Volleyball record, 101-17 games and 45-5 matches, they took an amazing ninth place in the country's standings.

Softball winning streak ends in defeat

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

Hey Mom, look! No losses! All right, so it's not like riding your bike with no hands, but the hometown crowd was privy to an offensive barrage during Sunday's double header versus Mt. Senario.

Coming through with their first series sweep of the season felt good enough, but augmenting the victory for the Blue Devils was the fact that for many of the players, it was the first time in a long while that Mom and Dad were watching from the sidelines. Parents Day, that magical time of the year when the wallet comes up for a visit, was an unmitigated success for a team coming off a series of, at best, split contests.

Stout took care of business in the minimal 10 innings necessary between the two contests, with Rebecca Zimmerman and Rebecca Deuel each picking up their fourth wins of the season.

The first game saw Zimmerman strike out two and allow just seven hits on the day. Offensively, the women set the pace early, scoring six runs in their half the first inning. Cara Fenhouse went 2-for-2 at the plate, driving in three runs and stealing a base. Bobby Bailey, and Kelly Espy were each responsible for driving in two runs, contributing to the 12-3 final which ended the game in the fifth.

The second game ended in the fifth as well with a final of 14-6; however, the hometown crowd would have to wait until late in the third for the tour de force which would ultimately put this one away. The Blue

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Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

During Family Weekend, the Blue Devil's proved victorious over Mount Scenario in a double-header, giving parents and family opportunity to view athletes in full action.

Top 9 reasons why Wayne Gretzky is "The Great One":

by Nicholas Czaplewski,
Staff Reporter

Wayne Gretzky's storied career ended on Sunday, April 18th to close a chapter in the book of many people's lives.

Gretzky has been named the greatest player in hockey history by many people for many reasons. Wayne wanted number nine on his jersey because of his idol, Gordie Howe, but someone had that number when he was growing up, so he took #19. (Later he took #99 because it was Howe's number twice). Here are the top 9 reasons why Wayne Gretzky is "The Great One":

★9. In his first season with the Edminton Oilers, Gretzky registered 46 goals and 110 points on his way to capturing WHA Rookie of the Year honors.

★8. He tied an NHL mark for most goals in one period, scoring four against St. Louis on Feb. 18, 1981.

★7. At age 10, Wayne scored 378 goals in Brantford's atom league - still an age group record.

★6. As a teenager, young Wayne often competed against much older players. At 14 he played at the Tier II junior level and major junior level at 15.

★5. On Dec. 30, 1981 against Philadelphia, Gretzky scored his 50th goal in an unbelievable 39 games. The previous mark was 50 goals in 50 games shared by Maurice Richard and Mike Bossy.

★4. With 51 goals in 1979-1980, Gretzky became the youngest player (19 years, two months) in history to score 50 goals in one season.

★3. Wayne set an NHL record for most assists in one game by a first-year player, with seven on Feb. 15 against the Washington Capitals.

★2. As a first-year player, #99 was named as the NHL's Second Team All-Star at 18.

★1. On Jan. 9, 1998, Gretzky was named the Greatest Hockey Player of All Time as selected by the *Hockey News*, a renowned hockey magazine.

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The Agenda

Upcoming Blue Devil Sports Schedule

Men's Soccer
April 23-25 TBA
at UW-Stevens Point

Men's & Women's Track
April 23-24 TBA
at Drake Relays
Saturday, April 24 11 a.m.
at UW-Eau Claire Invitational

Baseball
Friday, April 23 1 p.m.
at UW-Stevens Point
Saturday, April 24 12 p.m.
at UW-Oshkosh

Softball
Wednesday, April 28 3 p.m.
vs. UW-River Falls

Winning streak

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Devils ended the first inning up by two runs, but the Saints came back and took a third inning lead of 4-2. Stout was able to mount an eight run response, and sailed the rest of the way to victory with a comfortable lead. Espy was able to repeat her two run performance, while six other Stout women were each able to drive in one of their own. Deuel contributed defensively, tallying four strikeouts on her way to the win.

Lamentably, all good things must come to an end, and Stout's winning streak was no different. The contest with Concordia, played Tuesday night, left the Blue Devils empty handed through a disappointing double header. Zimmerman and Deuel both pitched good games, but unearned runs crippled the team and ultimately led to both defeats.

The first game, ending in the fifth, was all Concordia with a final of 9-1. The second contest had promise, but Stout's fifth inning lead of 6-5 dissolved with Concordia coming back in to score two in the fifth and three in the sixth, to lock down a 10-6 final.

The Blue Devils played Eau Claire Wednesday, and will be back in action next Wednesday against River Falls. Both games count toward in-conference play, and home crowd support is always welcome. Check out scores and highlights next week.

Press Box

Compiled by Kyle Madson from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Track & Field

UW-Stout's Corey Knudsen could very well join his high-flying teammate JamieBuchholtz at the NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

After moving the pole vault event indoors due to inclement weather at the St. Thomas Invitational, on April 10, Knudsen finished third to Buchholtz with a NCAA Division III provisional qualfying height of 15 feet, 6 inches.

Buchholtz, who has qualified automatically for the nationals in the pole vault, improved his height by clearing 16 feet to win the event.

Mike Bethke had perhaps his best meet since coming back from a neck injury suffered during the 1997 football season. Bethke scored career highs in both the shotput and the javelin. Bethke won the shotput event, tossing the weight 49 feet, 10 inches and placed second in the javelin, notching a toss of 165-7.

Tim Hamill won his second race in as many weeks, this time slogging his way to the 1500-meter title in a time of 4 minutes, 5.25 seconds.

The Blue Devils got a second place finish from Jesse Hunter in the 400-hurdles (57.13) and a third place finish from Corey O'Donnell in the hammer throw (154-8).

As a team, the Blue Devils finished second to NCAA Division II North Dakota State. Stout will return to action Saturday, April 17 at the Carleton Invitational in Northfield, Minnesota April 6, 1999.

Tim Hamill named WIAC track athlete of the week

UW-Stout distance runner Tim Hamill was named the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) men's track athlete of the week for his performance at the UW-Stout Blue Devil Invitational on Friday, April 2 in Menomonie.

Hamill had little trouble winning the 3000-meter steeplechase, clocking an NCAA Division III provisional time of 9 minutes, 16.90 seconds. He paced the field by more than 40 seconds on his way to setting a facility record in the event.

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ELI/program closing down

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debt has reached nearly $160,000 and is inflated by the fact that enrollment is decreasing. Although the program is not funded by the university, it is housed under the College of Arts and Sciences and when finances looked bleak, the college realized it could not incur this magnitude of debt. When John Murphy, Dean of Arts and Sciences, came to the provost and chancellor with the dilemma, the decision was made to shut the program down.

Yet some question why the university didn't take note of the problem earlier or send a message from the top to make the program a priority, and assist them as needed.

"When the ELI began losing money, the administration responded by cutting services to students, further weakening the program. ELI services for foreign students should be undertaken with the full administrative and financial support afforded all departments," a faculty member, who did not want to be identified, said.

Gengenbach agrees and says the Eli was always the stepchild of the university and needs to be an integral part of the university structure. "If they're really serious about cultural diversity and internationalizing, that mandate has to come from the top," she said. Provost Robert Sedlak believes that if they were to do it all over again, they would restructure the ELI under the university.

With this window to international students gone, Chancellor Sorensen and others are discussing ways to recruit foreign students into the Hospitality and Tourism program, hoping they will come to Stout with English skills or attend another English as a Second Language and then enroll here.

But Jim Kelim, Director of the successful ESL program at UW-Stevens Point, doesn't think that's a smart idea. He believes students need learn English in the United States, where they can interact with the people, learn cultural skills, and find a good support system.

"Universities often give lip service to diversity, but it is all lip service," he said. The belief of several ESL programs in the UW system, students won't come unless there's such a program on campus.

Meanwhile, Hao-Jung, Hung-Wei and the other ELI students are fervently trying to make accommodations. Some intermediate-level students are skipping their ELI classes in order to prepare for the TOFEL language test by the end of the semester, something they're barely prepared to take. But for them, it is the only way. They must pass this test in order to enroll at Stout or in many cases, they will have to go back home



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The following Executive Board positions are available: **Public Relations, Landlord/Tenant/City Affairs, Vice President, and Organizational Affairs Directors.**

Applications can be picked up at the SOC Desk, Service Desk, or at the SSA Office. They are due no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 23.If you have any questions, contact Benjamin Garvens or Adam Dodd at x-2100.

All the SSA Executives would like to thank the student body, Senate, faculty and staff for all the support and participation they have received this year. The student government could not be run without it. Thank you!

There are a few people who deserve to be recognized for all they've done on Senate this year.

Jim-

Well, former Senator of the Month, you certainly made a mark on Senate this year. What would we have done without your smiling face sitting in front of us during our Senate meetings? There would have been no one to make faces or wink at. You always gave this Congress your best. Thanks for all of your support while on the Tech Fee Committee. You always spoke your mind and had a way of saying it in the most eloquent way. We will all miss your charm and wit in the office. (And yes, you are very funny when you're drunk.) Do you really have to graduate?

Colleen-

I don't think the Senate, or anyone for that matter, truly understands how much you really did for this Congress. You were always in the office, always knew exactly what was going on, and were always willing to help others with their projects. Despite the common misconception that your position doesn't require much, you seemed to be quite busy this year. Hhhhmmmm. We will definitely miss your support and hard work in the office. (And don't worry, you'll be 21 soon enough!) Isn't there any way we can convince you to stay?!

Henry-

Heny, what can I say to our fearless leader? You were very instrumental in passing the Credentials Initiative, a very long fought battle, and because of that we have an even larger Congress than we know what to do with! Let's face it, you were the most instrumental in bringing new people to Senate. If it wasn't for your convincing (nagging?), most of us wouldn't be on Senate. Granted, this year probably had the most parli-pro arguments seen in recent years, but I believe you handled it well. During your presidency we achieved a great relationship with the administration, one I hope will continue during the next year. We will miss your guidance and leadership in the office and during Senate. Thank you for all you've done, Henry, future mayor of Milwaukee.

- Jasmine Hollyfield
PR Director, 29th Congress

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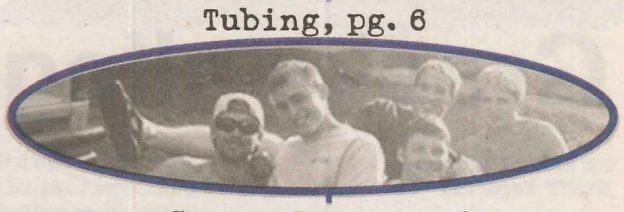
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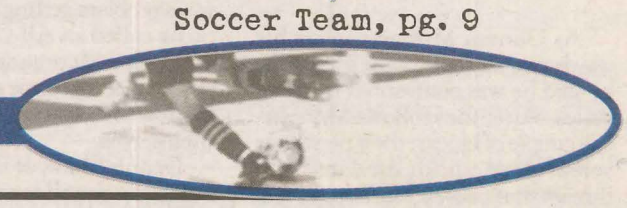
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Controversy arises over poster

Students raise questions about origin of racial issues poster

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

"Being Black at a Predominately White Campus" read the heading of a poster that was recently put up around campus.

The nature of the poster has been questioned by many. It basically consists of 15 statements beginning with the phrase "BEING BLACK is...". Some students feel that due to generalizations, wording, and its old age, the poster paints an unrealistic view of the UW-Stout campus.

Information on the poster was adapted from a journal titled Black Student Revolt on the White Campus. The journal was published in the early 70s, which Mary Riordan, advisor of Black Student Union and Director of Student Support Services, says may account for the aggressive and strident tone incorporated into the poster.

"It was a little outdated. But if you look at it from an educated view, you see the issues and you get past the language to look at the context," Charles Greene, Diversity Committee member, said.

Example sections of the poster considered controversial by some included: "BEING BLACK is not having a penny in my pocket and seeing white students visit Europe and Mexico and driving fancy sports cars, and at the same time knowing their parents and ancestors got rich off the sweat and pain of my parents and ancestors" and "BEING BLACK is to go into a class disadvantaged and find that I have a teacher who believes it is impossible for a black student to make an 'A' or 'B' grade."

Students angered by the poster assumed that the Black Student Union was responsible for its display. BSU claims it had no involvement with the poster and didn't know it was put up around campus.

"A lot of the wording was outdated. It made me uncomfortable when I read it," said Melissa Benish, BSU President.

> "It incited anger, which is not a good way to start a conversation"
>
> Mary Riordan
> *Black Student Union advisor*

The group responsible for hanging the poster turned out to be Residence Life's Diversity Committee. The committee received the poster, among others, from a yearly conference Residence Life attends.

"The Diversity Committee's purpose (of the poster) was to bring awareness of diversity issues for some students. It gets issues out in the open and presents a perspective students should see. It doesn't apply to me personally, but for some students it is reality," Greene said.

Residence Life's Diversity Committee has two approaches for promoting diversity issues and awareness on campus- active and passive programming. Active programming uses interaction devices, such as speakers, to get issues across, while passive programming uses methods like posters and flyers to promote issues.

"The poster was a part of Resident Life's passive programming. The problem with the poster is there is no follow-up interaction. It incited anger, which is not a good way to start a conversation," Riordan said.

Stout student Angela Reed was upset about the poster being hung up in her dorm hall. Because she is the only black student on the floor, she felt people would tie her to the poster.

"The information on the poster is totally outdated and irrelevant. If Residence Life wanted to put something up about what black students feel on a predominately white campus, don't you think they should at least run it by the black students on campus beforehand?," she said.

According to Greene, the committee has decided that the poster should have been brought to Black Student Union before it was posted. In future situations, the committee will confer with groups about materials relevant to them before making them public.

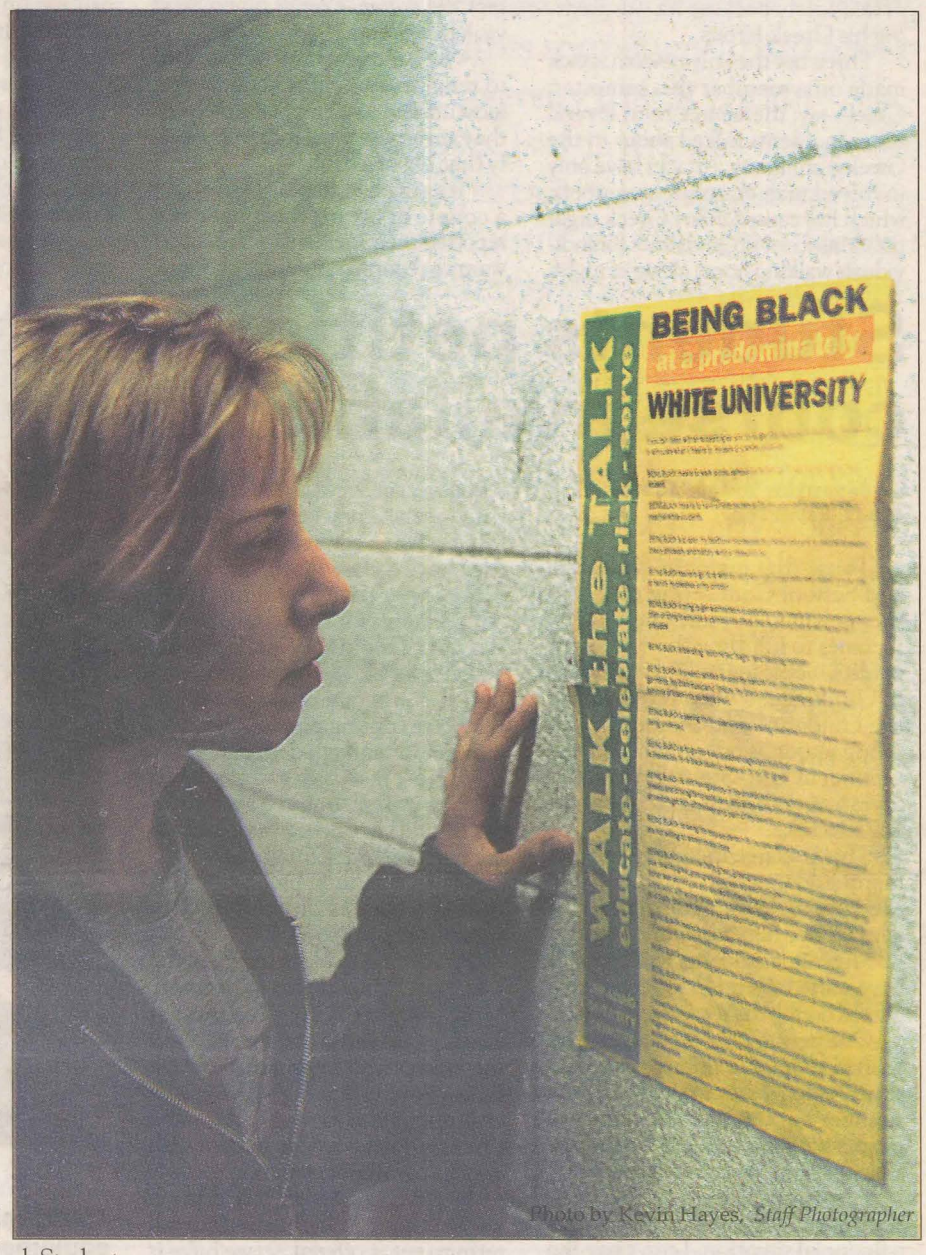


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Menomonie pays respects



Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

A memorial has been set up by those at North Side Liquor to remember the terrible and much publicized tragedy of 15 deaths at Columbine High School in Colorado. The site is located in the Tom Thumb parking lot.

Confusion over professor reviews

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

Periodically, UW-Stout makes decisions on merit, promotion, appointment, and tenure of staff and faculty. Each one is determined based on scales, but one thing applies to each individual: Stout is trying to determine, what is the quality of the performance of a professor?

At the end of each semester students may fill out a survey, given out by SSA, on a professor and their performance over the semester. Yet little is known about evaluations that are given out by the administration periodically to staff and faculty. When an evaluation of a staff or faculty member is given depends on how long he or she has been employed within the system and how much progress has been seen over time.

"Each department within a college handles each evaluation differently and if a faculty member or staff is tenured or not will determine how often an evaluation will be done,"Bruce Siebold, Dean of the College of Technology, said.

The evaluations filled out by students and then sent to the SSA office are not included in the evaluation of professors by colleges.

Wayne Argo, Director of Personnel and Human Resources, commented that, "Each department has a set of by-laws in determining the evaluation process, and the departments have their own questions given out to students to determine their performance."

Results from student responses are taken into account, but not evaluations sent out by the SSA office.

Students are able to gain access to these results by contacting the department in which the staff or faculty member belongs to. Other parts of the evaluations, such as personal reviews, faculty peer evaluations, or even an overall review by the department chair, may not be as easily obtained. They must be requested and permission granted by the department.

Some find it frustrating that evaluations are done by the SSA office and the departments separately, knowing that the results are not readily available for students to determine professors to take for future classes.

"Hopefully soon a process will be set up over the Internet to allow access to the performance level of teachers before classes are chosen by students," Ben Garven, SSA president, said.

Greeks allege numerous violent attacks

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

As Gunner Moriarty made his way home late one night in March, he said he was confronted by three males. After they followed Moriarty a couple of blocks, their persistent verbal abuse quickly escalated into threats that caused Moriarty to feel he was in extreme danger. Wanting to get out of the situation as quickly as possible, Moriarty ran home to safety.

Moriarty believes that this happened solely because he was wearing his Greek letters.

This is not the only random attack made on a member this semester, Greeks say; there have been several other incidents talked about in the Greek community. Attacks have only involved male fraternity members, which has caused many Greek organizations to set up guidelines for individuals walking home alone at night.

Moriarty, who is the president of Inner Greek Council (IGC), felt this was a problem getting out of control. So he called an All-Greek meeting and asked Menomonie and Stout police officers to come and give advice on how Greeks can better protect themselves.

Dennis Shaw, of the UW-Stout Police, knows all too well that most of the Greek jumpings have gone unreported, and asks that if anybody (whether they are Greek or not) has an uneasy feeling while walking home, they should immediately contact the police, even if no physical violence occurs.

A fraternity member who wished to remain anonymous claims that most incidents go unreported because they are unsure if the incident is really that big of a deal.

"It's just plain stupid. I know that a couple of my brothers have not reported their incidents. They don't want to report the jumpings because they are men, and don't want to have a reputation of being wussies, even though it wasn't their fault," he said.

With no reports of incidents on file, the police have little to go on.

"Stout police at this time are unable to predict whether these incidents have a similar pattern occurring because none have been reported," Officer Shaw explained. "At this time we really have nothing but rumors."

While these rumors have left bruises on several fraternity members, it has more importantly left marks of caution on Greek society. Gunner Moriarty still feels that Greek members should wear their letters, but use their heads.

"Don't provoke incidents. I'm sure these kind of attacks are happening to other people on campus who aren't Greek. It's just that the Greek society is so small and tight that we hear about all the incidents and are more aware of them."



Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Members of Greek society have related stories of fear when walking alone and wearing letters. Greeks say more incidences have occured than are reported.

Students petition course availability

by Jeremiah Townsend
Staff Reporter

Those that major in Guidance and School Counseling may find themselves in a predicament when it comes to fulfilling their required credits. Sociological Foundations of Guidance, a class required for the Guidance and School Counseling major, is only offered in the summer at UW-Stout. It runs four times a week at night and costs about $625 to take.

This is a large inconvenience to many students who cannot live in Menomonie during the summer, or who do live here but work nights.

Frustrated students in the major have started a petition to get the class offered during the regular school year.

One person on the petition, who wished to remain anonymous, said she lives in Menomonie during the summer but has to work nights to pay her tuition; which makes it impossible for her to take this class.

Another student on the petition, Sara Rother, said, "For me it's a financial situation, I can't pay the extra six hundred and some dollars in the summer."

Rother also said that her and others on the petition have been looking into other options for taking the class. The class is offered during the school year at Wausau, but only every three years. They've been trying to talk to other UW schools to see if they have a class during the regular school year that would fulfill the requirements for the course.

Mary Hopkins-Best, Program Director for School Counseling, said that the program could be offered through a continuing education class if there was enough demand.

"The class has always been offered in the summer and never during fall or spring semester, so it's not a surprise for students; it's right there on their program sheets that the class is only offered for summer term," she said.

According to Hopkins-Best, the situation comes down to demand. Most people taking the class are already graduated and are teachers themselves who are working towards their masters, making summer the only good time for them. Also, the course is waived for any student with a sociology major or minor.

Hopkins-Best added, "The demand just isn't enough in the spring or fall term to get it offered, so we have it in the summer."

Unfortunately, this explanation doesn't help Sara Rother or the other students who need at least 20 signatures on their petition to get a review of the situation.



Heart of the matter: While Albanians make up 90 percent of the Kosovo population, Serbians are the recognized group in control of the province. Albanians are largely Muslim, and Serbians are Eastern Orthodox Christians. From 1974-1989, Albanians enjoyed many cultural freedoms under the rule of Yugoslavia. Since Serbian Nationalist Slobodan Milosevic took over, these freedoms have disappeared. Things were relatively under control until 1996 when the killing of many Serbians, mainly policemen, over independence occurred. In retaliation, Milosevic ordered the army to take back areas the Kosovo Liberation Army had established themselves in. Increasing Albanian deaths and subsequent riots gave NATO the chance to intervene.

This week: The tables are beginning to turn on Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic. A number of anti-war, anti-Milosevic, and pro-peace feelings are surfacing in Kosovo. The first one to officially turn against Milosevic was Yugoslav Deputy Prime Minister Vuk Draskovic. He called for a compromise and even suggested the stationing of peace-keeping troops in Kosovo under United Nations control. According to NATO spokesman Jamie Shea, Draskovic accused Milosevic of lying to his own people, of isolating his country and of heading a meaningless confrontation course with the international community. He was dismissed because of his statements. As a result, however, many more voices have been coming forward, urging for peace. A recent anti-Belgrade demonstration was attended by thousands, including the mayor of a Serbian town. The Kosovo Liberation Army told NATO that they found a number of Yugoslav armed forces uniforms, those who had deserted. These reports are very promising and offer some hope towards peace.



Police *Beat*

Complied by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Theft/university/electronic equipment

A staff member reported a VCR missing from a room in the Home Economics building. It was attached by a padlocked cable to a movable stand. The cable was still locked when the VCR was noticed missing. A TV was also attached to the stand and was found offset. One of the cables holding it to the stand was missing a lock. There are no suspects at this time. There were no signs of forced entry.

Lost property

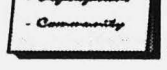
A complainant reported that a set of keys was missing. A former employee was thought to have them. A witness reported seeing the employee return all of her equipment and uniforms, including the keys. Several bags of uniforms were destroyed, and it is believed the keys were in one of these bags.

Suspicious activity

An employee reported that when leaving work he properly locked up the Furlong Gallery. Upon arrival the next morning, he found the main door and inner door unlocked and a ring missing. It was later reported that a student who owned the ring had come by the Gallery at 9:00 p.m. the previous night. Noticing that the doors where unlocked, he had removed the ring for security reasons.

Citations/arrests

For the week of April 20-26, one citation was issued for a stolen parking permit and three issued for possession of alcohol.



University *Notes*

Complied from Jasmine Hollyfield from submitted news releases

Golf tournament

The American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Wisconsin (AICCW) is holding its second annual golf tournament on May 7 at Tuscumbia Country Club in Green Lake, WI. Check-in and registration begins at 9:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at 10:30. The cost is $75/player and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, dinner, and door prizes. This also includes a chance to win a Chevy Cavalier. Proceeds will benefit the AICCW Scholarship program. If there are any questions, contact the AICCW's office at 414-462-1638.

Sci-fi/fantasy convention

Wausau West High School (Wausau, WI) will host a sci-fi/fantasy convention on Saturday, May 1 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission is $3. Guests include Mark Short, Paula Carberry, Heather Rocchi, Black Bear Society, and pictures from the Hubble Telescope. Gaming, a costume contest, videos, vendors, demonstrations, door prizes, and lunch will also be available. For more information, contact Keith at 715-675-9699 or www.dwave.net/~roygbiv/westcon.html.

SME Fair

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME) is hosting an SME Fair on Monday, May 3. It will be at 6 p.m. in room 114 of Fryklund Hall. Capstone projects will be presented and on display. Also, faculty members will be available to help students with their resumes. It's an opportunity to learn more about manufacturing engineering and get a head start on writing resumes. For more information, contact Heidi Boltan at 233-1052.



News *Briefs*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield

Columbine suspects cleared

Three teens captured outside Columbine High School after the shooting rampage that took place April 20 have been released. Sheriff's deputies found the boys in a field just outside the high school wearing dark jackets and combat-style clothing. Several students have come forward and identified them as members of the "Trenchcoat Mafia." When found, the boys didn't have any weapons on them, but were tested for gunpowder residue. None was found. They were also questioned twice and are not considered suspects. Meanwhile, a tape taken from a cafeteria surveillance camera has been recovered and taken to an FBI lab for further analysis.

State supports privacy legislation

Wisconsin's state medical society is supporting a patient privacy legislation that would require written permission before certain patient information could be released to the Department of Health and Social Services. The medical society took a survey last fall and found that most people are concerned with doctors releasing information about them to the state.

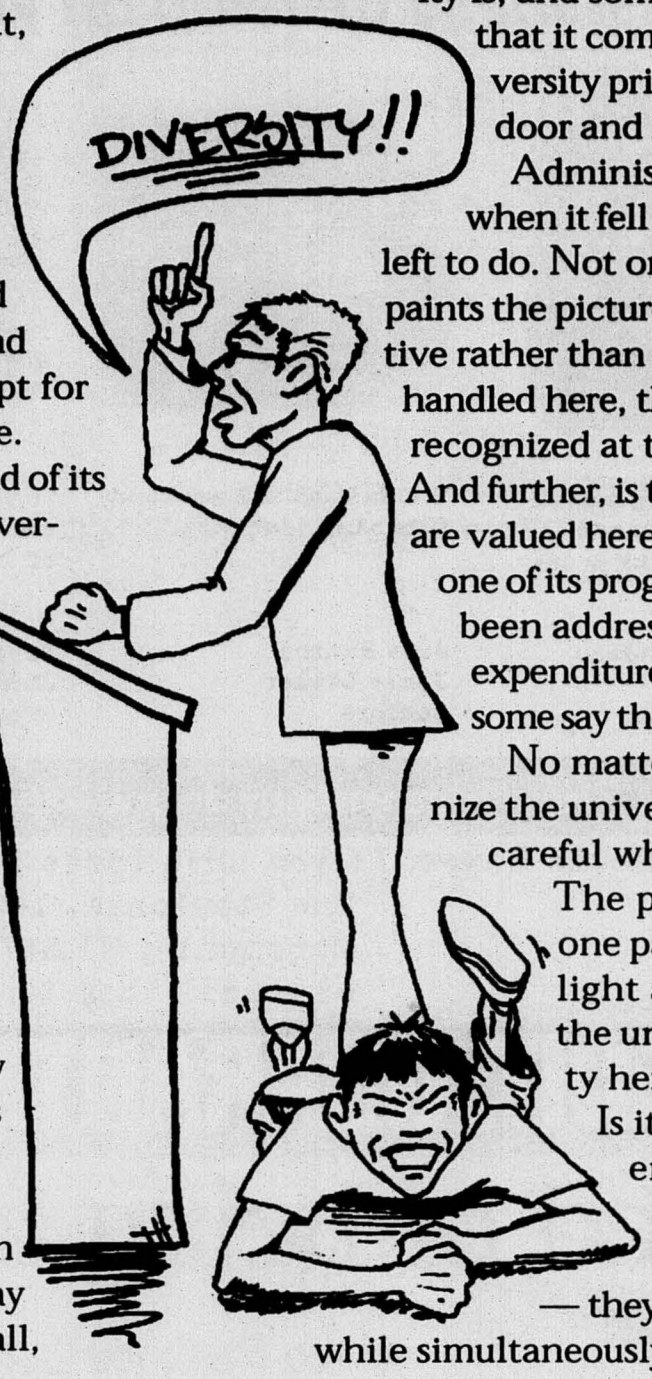
Nuclear codes transferred

Classified nuclear weapons computer codes from a U.S. government laboratory were transferred to an unclassified computer system, U.S. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said Wednesday. The suspected lab is Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. The lab has caught attention concerning allegations of Chinese espionage. The lines of computer codes related how U.S. nuclear warheads work. While Richardson didn't comment on who transferred the data, he assured media that new measures have been enacted that would prevent such a security breach.

Editorial

University priorities unmasked

Diversity. It's the buzzword, bigger than "family values" is to politics. The university wants it, the UW system demands it, and we study it in class. Its so important that for over a decade the UW system has channeled money into the Plan 2008, an attempt to recruit and retain more multicultural students to campuses. They have a long road ahead of them, trying to create a warm and inviting atmosphere in a state that except for some parts, is just plain honky-tonk white.



So why on earth would UW-Stout get rid of its English Language Institute? It's not controversial like affirmative action, it brings money and jobs into the university, there's no better learning than on an international level, the community gets its own cultural lesson, the program creates a name for Stout around the world, and it's key to the university truly internationalizing. For 12 years this Institute brought students from around the world to Menomonie, into our classrooms. Entire families, many from Asia, were built here solely because of the ELI. And most important, it brought a whole new perspective to a town where Saudi Arabians were known only as people on the news. Now the program is gone.

The answer to why it's gone depends on who's being asked. University officials say the reason is pure and simple and above all, out of their control — it's money. Surely no one can argue that; the university has its hands tied. But the reality is, and some within administration know this, that it comes down to whether or not it's a university priority. And if it's not, shove it out the door and have PR clean it up on the way out.

Administrators say it was a fiscal crisis, that when it fell into their lap, there was just nothing left to do. Not only does this sound weak, but also it paints the picture of a university that is entirely reactive rather than proactive. Is this the way things are handled here, that a department's struggles are only recognized at the last minute by the top echelon? And further, is this a statement of what departments are valued here? If the department of technology or one of its programs were suffering, wouldn't it have been addressed in a timely manner? The ELI's expenditures was exceeding its income for years; some say the problem existed for nearly a decade.

No matter what they do, others will scrutinize the university's actions. And so they must be careful what message their actions send out.

The point is not to place blame on any one party in this matter, but it is to highlight a seemingly warped message from the university as a hole. What is a priority here? Is it technology, or is it people? Is it classroom learning, or is it experience? Is it diversity, or is it a clean budget? It seems the university has done that awfully condemning thing — they have given lip service to something while simultaneously squashing it.

Letters

Dear Editor:

After the article, "Happenings at JTC suggest the supernatural," was published I had various people voice their concern about its content, so I am taking this opportunity to address comments from the article. There have been rumors abounding about ghosts in JTC for at least 25 years. Here are a few details to consider before deciding if you believe what you read. The article mentioned, "Students have reported feeling a very cold draft in the Jeter basement even though windows are closed." There is a simple explanation for this occurrence. It has to do with the structural dynamics of the building. Because JTC was built in phases, it sits at different levels and the heating systems in each section vary.

The "unexplained knocking on walls" mentioned in the article has various sources. The steam pipes in some sections of the building produce an array of sounds that some have mistaken to be noises produced by ghosts. In other parts of the building the noises are produced when gusts of wind enter the ventilation ducts. And sometimes students have been known to try to scare their fellow residents by knocking on walls.

In the article, an incident experienced by one of my RA's was mentioned. My staff member did state that in August she overheard someone on her floor coughing, and that subsequently we went back to her floor and personally checked all of the rooms on her floor. We were unable to explain the "coughing," but during that week there were members of the maintenance and custodial staff in and out of the building. That was the end of the incident; there was no second occurrence mentioned with "slamming of dresser drawers", or a second search conducted as was reported in the article.

The referral to "objects moving from place to place", is the first reference I have heard about such purposed occurrences. When I first heard the story several months ago about "A fog illuminated with a white light" in the Jeter basement, I was told it was witnessed by one person and the "fog" seemed to hover by the ceiling. There seems to be some discrepancy as to whether this supposedly happened last semester, a few years ago, or at all. Occasionally we also find that residents smoke in the basement, which results in smoke lifting towards the ceiling.

Of particular concern is the following statement at the beginning of the article, "Stories about JTC's ghost have abounded for years, and most have been attributed to a suicide that occurred in Callahan Hall five years ago." First, the stories about the ghost do not revolve around that unfortunate and sad situation. To make such an unfounded reference was insensitive and unnecessary. What purpose did it serve to hurt the people who knew that individual? In fact, one of my staff members recommended to the reporter when he mentioned including it in his story that he not do so. Towards the end of their discussion he commented to her that he "Needed to catch the readers interest" and expressed concern that the story wouldn't be interesting enough with the information he had.

Whether or not there is a ghost present in JTC, I cannot say. I can tell you that I have not seen or heard anything yet to make me believe there is. We have had the same custodians for several years, and they have not seen or heard anything either. I know various JTC staff members were contacted, a few of whom chose to comment on the stories. How a few people when contacted choosing to refrain from adding to the rumor mill translates into "a measure of secrecy among some of the staff members", I do not grasp. My concern is that the rumor mill does not perpetuate inaccurate or unsubstantiated ghost stories as a result of sensationalized reporting. Integrity should never be put aside in an effort to catch reader's interest.

Tracy Johnson, JTC Hall Director

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Taking the pulse of the campus

How did you professionally develop on your two days off?



"I professionally developed my sandcastle building skills."

Kileigh Hannah
Sophomore
Art Education



"I expanded my knowledge of the Leinenkugel's brewing technique."

Sarah Van Arsdale
Junior
Graphic Design



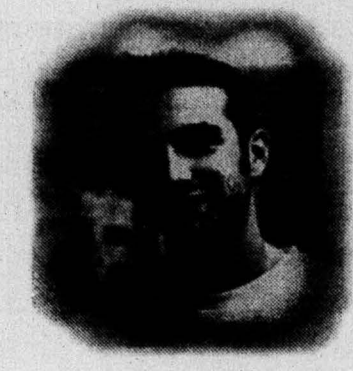
"At Exit 45 all weekend-flashing truckers."

Jodi Hanson
Jamie Lawlor
Seniors



"I represented the four underground elements of ish."

Forest Bash
Junior
Graphic Design



"I trimmed my pubic hair...if you don't believe me, I'll show you."

Cam Hendrickson
Senior
IT-GCM

Next Week's Question: "How much money do you expect to get back from your landlord?"

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Stout votes Pepsi as "One" over Diet Coke

by Alisha Cora
Staff Reporter

It's a blazing hot day, the temperature outside is 99 degrees. Mouths are smacking in thirst for something to cool them down. The convenience store is packed with those standing in front of the cooler. Without thinking, hands reach for the first thing familiar - a Diet Coke.

In our generation, the most prominent cola is Coke. Think about it, when the word cola is mentioned, the immediate thing that comes to mind is Coke-a-Cola, and not the lost taste of under-marketed Pepsi Cola.

A group of Food Science majors enrolled in a Sensory Analysis class decided to challenge students and their families over Family Weekend as to what has a more desirable taste, Diet Coke or Pepsi One. The class, instructed by Carol Wilson, evaluates products according to our senses. They chose this taste test as their big project of the semester where they have to interact with consumers by a consumer panel.

Tables set up in the Home Economics building and Bookstore enticed 334 participants, which included both Stout students and their families.Participants were randomly asked to try a taste test between Diet Coke and Pepsi One. They tasted two glasses of cola and were asked to choose which one they thought tasted better. Neither the participants or the students pouring the cola knew which glass was Diet Coke and which was Pepsi One.

The results were significant in that Pepsi One was preferred by 61 percent. Out of the 334 participants, 206 chose Pepsi One as being more desirable as opposed to the 128 that chose Diet Coke.

The students and professor were intrigued enough by the results that they are inviting a Pepsi Regional Manager to their class to give a presentation of their findings.

So why the big change in consumers' taste buds from the all- too- famous Diet Coke? Pepsi has changed one of its core ingredients to create Pepsi One. They took out the Aspartame that is found in Diet Coke and added Assulfame Potassium. The new ingredient, known as Assulfame K, is a sweetener that does not lose it's sweet taste when it starts to warm, as opposed to the Aspertame in Diet Coke. "Pepsi has gotten rid of the bitterness and diet taste that accompanies a diet cola," Wilson said.



Photo rendering by Kevin Hayes, Layout Assistant

Pepsi One stands by its name as it beat out Diet Coke in a taste test over Family Weekend. Students and their parents preferred it by a 61 percent majority. The test was part of a Food Science course and its findings may be presented to a Pepsi Regional Manager.

Health Hype

by Sarah Blarek
Staff Reporter

The word is out, home remedies are in. Yes, some are off the wall and only a nutcase would want to try them, but others are simple, cheap and for the most part, effective. A word to the wise, however; a physician should be consulted before any herb or home remedy is taken as a drug. On the other hand, modern pharmaceuticals depend on the same active principles, in either natural or synthetic forms. The name of the game is prudence. With that in mind, there are several herbal and natural tips out there, from keeping bugs out of the kitchen to staving off colds and allergies.

A popular herbal remedy is echinacea, which is used in the treatment of colds and the flu. It is otherwise known as the purple coneflower, a native American plant which has proven antibiotic, anti viral, and immune-enhancing properties. It should be taken as soon as cold or flu symptoms arise. Usually a dropperful of echinacea is taken in a little warm water four times a day, until the illness is gone. Long term use of this herb is not recommended due to lack of toxicity data.

By now, everyone has heard of St. John's Wort or Hypericum. It's the hottest herbal antidepressant around, and can be found at local pharmacies in pill form. Many people swear it gives them a much needed lift, especially over the long winter months. It may take six to eight weeks to work, and should not be taken with over the counter antidepressants. Avoid taking this drug in cases of severe depression, as it has been shown effective only in mild to moderate depression. Reliable sources discourage sun tanning and UV or solarium light therapy while using St. John's Wort.

As a general preventative and good health measure, eat a kiwi or banana a day. Bananas contain a high level of potassium, and sufficient amounts of Vitamins C, A, B6, riboflavin, thiamin, some calcium and iron. They are low in sodium, and have been shown to be good for people with heart and kidney problems. Bananas contain only around 100 calories and are almost completely fat free. A kiwi has been shown to have a higher level of potassium than a banana and more Vitamin C than an orange.

Taking high levels of Vitamin C daily may relieve allergy symptoms. A local doctor recommends trying 1000 mg of vitamin C two to three times a day, and said that at least one of her patients had noted a significant decline in their allergy symptoms after this treatment.

Ginger is another remedy for any lingering winter malady, and it's very cheap. A tea can be made with grated ginger root that helps clear chest and head congestion, and fight off chills. Peel a one inch piece of ginger root, grate, and add it to two cups of water in a pot. Bring it to a boil, lower the heat and simmer for five minutes. Add two tablespoons of fresh lemon juice, and add honey for flavor. Strain and let cool slightly. Ginger may cause slight stomach irritation; it's best to eat something before it's used.

There are many books available on home remedies and several sites on the internet, check them out for more information. And, as always, be prudent.

Graduation- the necessary info

Caps and gowns are expected to arrive within the next couple of days and can be measured for and rented at the Bookstore. The cost is $25 for undergraduates and $35 for graduates.

Graduation tickets can be obtained from office 130, Bowman Hall (Joe Larkin). Each person is designated six tickets for their guests to attend the ceremony.

If graduating with honors, cords can be obtained from 130 Bowman Hall along with the tickets.

Important: ceremony is at 9:30 a.m. or 2 p.m., depending on major

Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Chloe talks about saying goodbye to her best friend.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Columnist

It's been a hard week with Monday and Tuesday off and all. Of course, me being the dedicated student I am, I spent all my free hours catching up on school work. Ha ha. You know, at the end of the year you want to go to class about as much as you like your landlord for screwing you out of your security deposit. Graduation countdown is your only savior and pathway to sanity. It is like turning the light on at the end of the tunnel.

My best friend left yesterday for a new life. It's kind of sad; you spend every day for a year with a person and in a day you are supposed to get used to just not seeing them. This is a preview of how I am going to feel at graduation. Everyone will be going their separate ways, venturing out and finding jobs across the country, and I will be in the exotic confines of Menomonie. I never did like the feeling of abandonment much!

On the eve of his leave, a bunch of us took the opportunity to celebrate his new job and good fortune. We spent the day helping him pack and journeyed over to Jake's that night. Giddy and obnoxious, I think we pissed off every other guest in the bar. We were playing pool, and I finally learned how to shoot. I was so happy I started practicing my pseudo-karate moves on my friend. I think I offended his masculinity because the next thing I know, I am being picked up and swung over his shoulder like a sack of potatoes.

I start screaming as he starts twirling. Then I'm being cargoed out the bar into the parking lot. I know I'm in trouble when my friend starts laughing hysterically.

The channel of water which borders the South side of the restaurant is coming closer and closer. At first, I didn't think he'd dare throw me in the water (with my karate moves and all). But as my face came nose to nose with the cold confines, I thought twice and begged for mercy. Guided by the screams of the numerous onlookers, he starts to get ready to throw me in. Just as I'm about to meet the near-ice, I manage to slip out of his grasp. Loud sounds of disappointment escape from our audience. I visualize the thought of kicking him in, it felt satisfying, but I denied the impulse.

"Hey, I'll buy you a beer and we will call it even, okay?," he asks as a peace offering.

"You got a deal, buddy," I reply, laughing. Gee, am I ever going to miss this guy.

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Under investigation for: Acting in a suspicious manner, it seems members have taken it upon themselves to dress the neighboring trees in yellow ribbons. Although no arrests have been made at this time, investigators are on the look-out for the ribbons which have since fallen. Then fines for pollution can be distributed among those involved.



Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Current reports have suggested: New in nature, this group seems to be focusing on recruitment. They are targeting any individual who has served in the military, national guard or the reserves. Rumor has it they brought Army and Airforce recruiters to Stout on April 13.

Suspicious behavior: The previous Veteran's Day, members were seen placing flowers underneath the main flag pole on campus. Claims were made that these were in recognition to those who have served and died for our country.

Future investigations concerning: A source has reported that a spokesperson from the faction's main location will be speaking next Veteran's Day. Officers will be attending incognito to gain information on this group. Back-up will be used if necessary. Information from the main frame must be obtained before the group can be busted.

Taking the tube for a river ride

by Jake Groshek
Staff Reporter



Photo submitted by Jake Groshek

It seems the season for tubing gets earlier each year, as Stout students have already ventured down the Red Cedar River.

A cooler full of beverages plus one lonely, winding river in western Wisconsin. Throw in a bunch of inner tubes and a handful of college students. All these things together add up to one of the favorite spring and summer pastimes for many Stout students.

The Red Cedar Outfitters offers a cheap, convenient and safe way to have a blast tubing through some of the most beautiful scenery the Chippewa Valley has to offer. For $7.25, one tube can be rented, and the second tube comes at half-price. This fee also includes a "cooler tube" for those frosty beverages, as well as a shuttle bus back to Menomonie.

Larry Theberge of Red Cedar Outfitters said that group rates for 20-80 people are negotiable, and he is considering offering a student discount. He also said the journey, which ends in Irvington, takes about two or two and one-half hours, depending on weather conditions. He suggested tubers wear shoes or sandals, and reminded that nearly 50% of all water- related deaths involve alcohol.

For students who are able to provide their own transportation, tubes are available at the University Recreation Center. Renting a tube for one day, Monday through Thursday, costs $1.50 for a small tube or $2.25 for a large tube. Three-day tube rentals are available on the weekends, which cost $2.00 for a small tube or $3.25 for a large tube. Variously priced and sized tubes can also be purchased at Fleet Farm.

There are several laws regarding tubing. Tubers are only to get out of the river at the designated area in Irvington. While open containers are allowed on the river, littering is strictly prohibited and enforced by the DNR. Underage drinking is obviously not permitted on the river, and police officers occasionally check ID's as students finish their trip.

The tubing season is already under way, as witnessed by last Sunday's maiden voyage made by several adventurous Stout students. Despite warm weather conditions, the water temperature remained very low. Braving the elements was "extreme tuber" Jeff Oldenburg who said, "The water was really cold. I'm shriveled up like a Raisinette©." He also said, "I'm very proud of being a part of the first tubing trip of 1999; I just wish I could remember the whole thing."

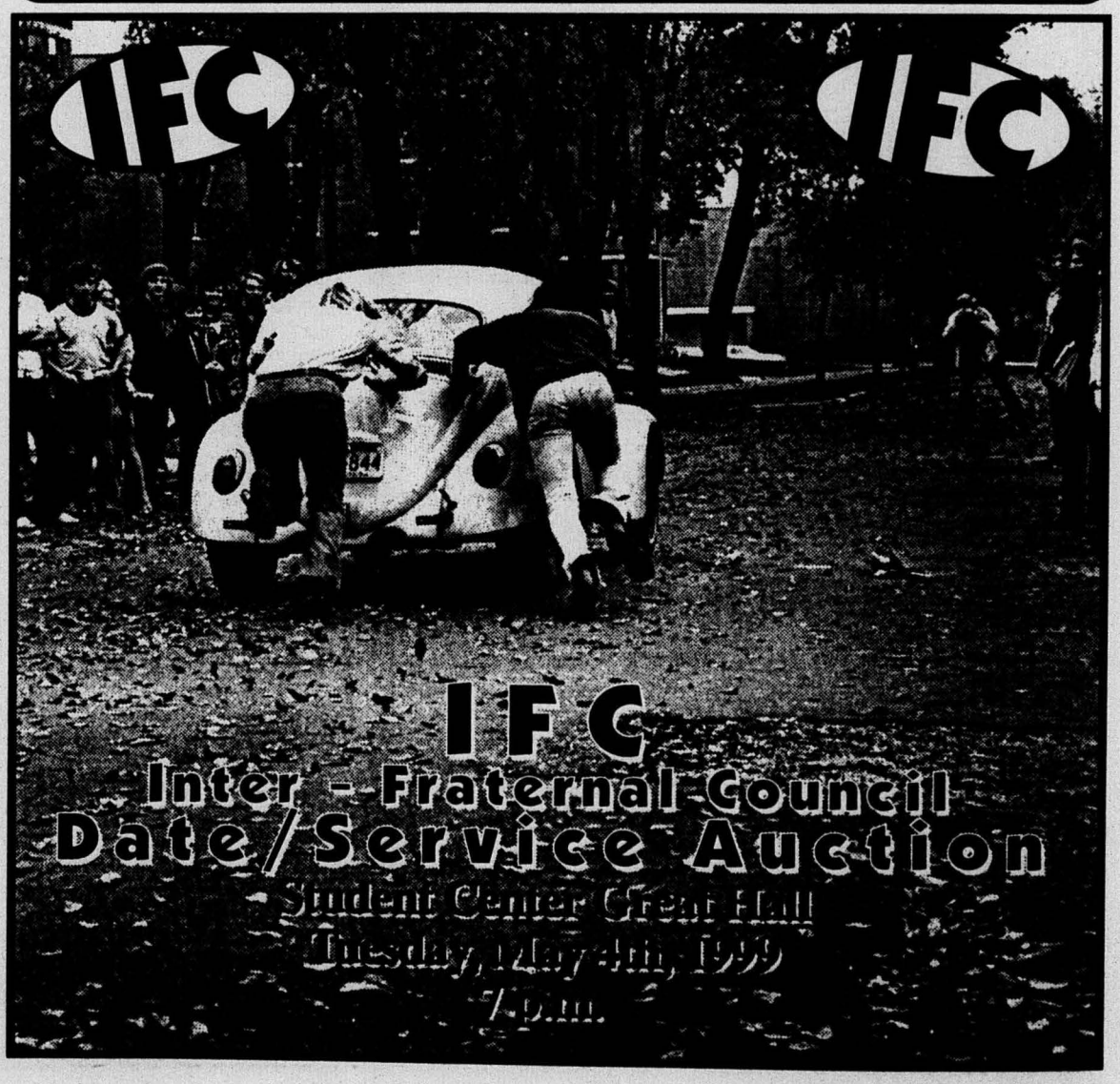
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Looking for comedy? Don't pass *Go*

Underneath the facade of your everyday grocery bagger lies a nightlife of adventures few shoppers would be able to stomach.

It's a tale only a Gen-Xer could love. Zombies by day who live for the night life, these teens are struggling to pay the rent while still having the party of a lifetime on a Christmas Eve night in Southern California. Mixed in the story, to the delight of X-ers, is designer drugs, unabated sex, and warehouse raves.



Casey Klein

Movie: *Go*
Starring: Katie Holmes, Jay Mohr, and Scott Wolf
Synopsis: The tale of four teens' adventures during one night in LA
Rating: 1/2

Doug Liman (*Swingers*) directs a virtually unknown but talented cast into the night life any trouble-making teen dreams of. The story, masterfully written by John August (writer and director of *God*), is told from three different perspectives, using a more circular storyline than the typical linear model.

Ronna Martin (unknown Sarah Polley) struggles to pay her rent while working at an area grocer. She is seduced twice, once by coworker Simon Baines (Desmond Askew) into working an extra shift and second by Adam (Scott Wolf, TV's "Party of Five") and Zack (Jay Mohr, *Jerry Maguire*), two guys looking for "ecstasy" on their way to a warehouse rave.

Along the way to the delivery for Adam and Zack, Ronna employs the help of coworkers Claire Montgomery (Katie Holmes, TV's "Dawson's Creek") and Mannie (Nathan Bexton) and crosses paths with "the good drug dealer" (Timothy Olyphant, *Scream 2*).

From there it's an anything goes fiasco, as audiences are told the night's story three times over, for the benefit of the slower Gen-X-ers. August should earn praise for keeping the story together in the hub-bub that he creates, making it just within the audiences' understanding grasp.

Acting skill also helps second-time director Liman, who sticks to the *Swingers* game plan of a lesser-known cast. None of the cast members are on screen long enough to expose rookie flaws, giving everyone a cameo-ish feel.

Mohr and Wolf, the most well known of the crew, do an excellent portrayal of off-the-bus actors in a difficult situation. The duo manipulate the final third of the film so well, the audience is left howling at their dead-pan dark comic skit.

Holmes also shines in the release, an excellent accomplice for the night's adventures. Her "Precious Moments" wide-eyed look is key to the movie, enabling her to capture the male-dominated audience hanging on every word. Expect her to make a name for herself after playing opposite Michael Douglas in the film *Wonder Boys*, currently in production.

As for Go, acting skill and writing are instrumental to the film and neither one fails, as the dark comedy is sure to please. Even while leaving unresolved situations open for the majority of the movie, August's humor distracts audiences into laughing their socks off.

Liman earns a three-and-a-half on his sophomore effort, overshadowed by his underground success with *Swingers*. Hopefully Holmes can achieve the stardom Vince Vaughn has grown to since working with Liman.

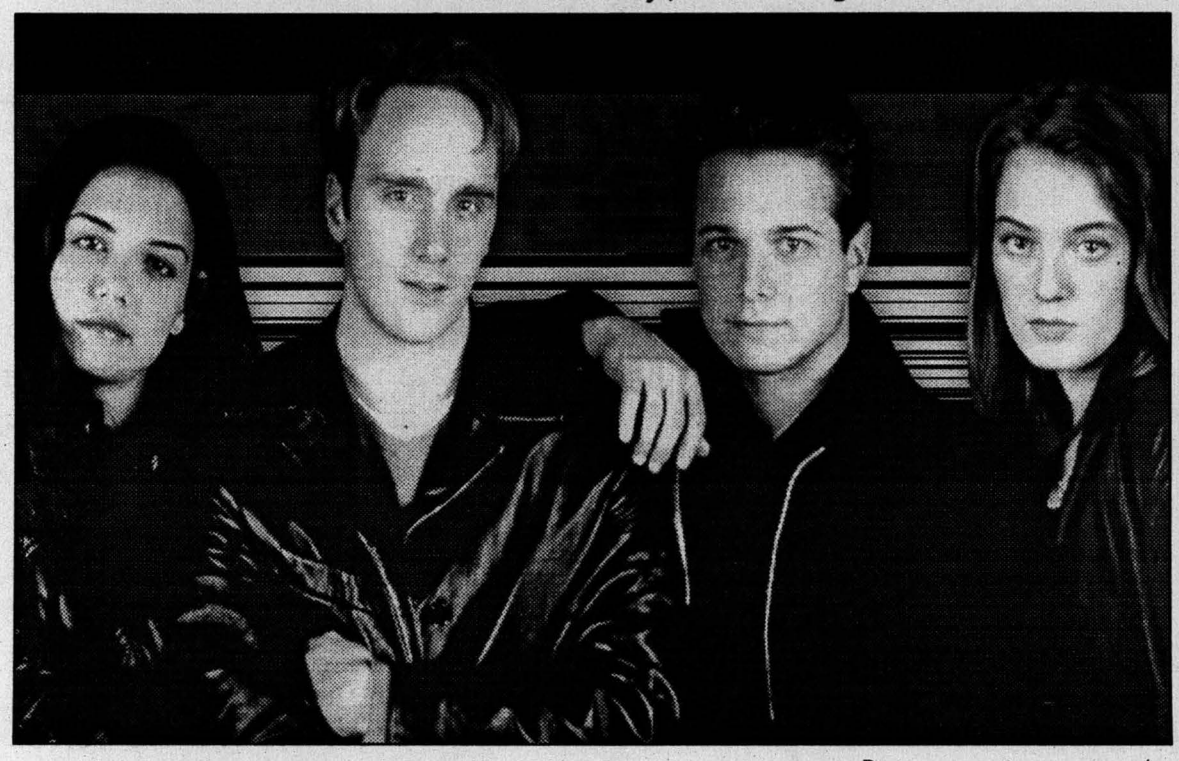


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These teens live out the night life during one Christmas Eve in Southern California. Katie Holmes (left) has an excellent opportunity to be proppelled into stardom after the movie. She acts opposite (from left) Jay Mohr, Scott Wolf, and Sarah Polley.

Leold www.leold.com
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My mother and I went to this big flower shop.

They were giving away 2,000 geraniums. The place was completely jammed. My mother kept saying, " Hold my hand tight."

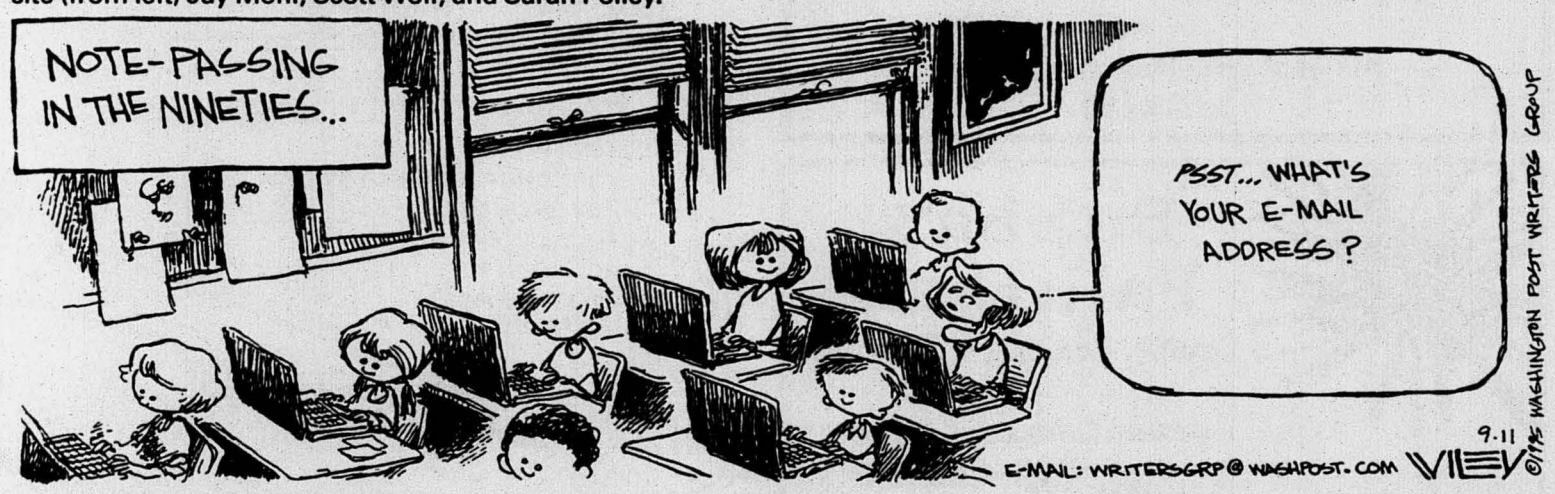
I let go or my mother let go. I ended up going home with a different woman.

After a while it all worked out.

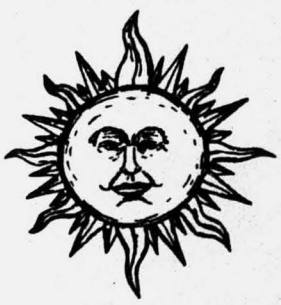
I call her "mom."
She calls me "Leold."

At least this is the way I remember it. If she's not my geranium mother, at least she's doing a real good job. However, in general I don't go to flower shops anymore.... at least, not with my dad.





Horoscopes



For the week of April 29, 1999 through May 5, 1999

by Missy C. Stars

Aries (March 21 - April 19) Well folks, the end is drawing near. It's time to realize that maybe you should really buckle down for the end of the semester. Discipline yourself into banning all beer drinking, all partying, and those carefree afternoons in the sun in favor of doing homework. Never mind; it was kind of a dumb idea anyway.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20) You'll step on an ant hill today. They'll get really pissed. Remember, ants can carry a million times their own body weight.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20) You'll get extremely busy with classes, work and everything else, considering the time of year. Your roommates will file a missing persons report on you.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22) Your plans to take over the world have moved on to the next stage, right on schedule. What you need now is a hunch-backed henchperson with protruding eyes. Fortunately for you, your roommate fits this description.

Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You will have that reoccurring dream in which Fonzie from Happy Days keeps pressuring you to smoke crack with him. Don't do it.

Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Soon, through no fault of your own, you'll catch someone underlining words in a library book. Being an upstanding patron, you'll be forced to alert the library clerk.

Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Be careful. You'll step on a crack and break your mother's back. Hey, it could happen.

Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You will discover that you can raise one eyebrow by itself, but not the other. This will aggravate you, and you'll spend the rest of the day in front of the mirror trying to correct the situation.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Continue hiding.

Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) A pack of weinerdogs will chase you down the street today. Find an object 2 feet off the ground to jump on until help arrives.

Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) You'll step on the scale for the first time in a while to find that you've gained 300 lbs. You'll wonder if maybe the four-day drinking vacation last week had anything to do with it.

Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) You are about to have an unfortunate episode involving insects, grape Kool-Aid, and a revolving door.

End of Year brings many mediums to Furlong

by Phil Skretvedt
Staff Columnist

With the end to another school year comes the Furlong Galleries' End of Year Fine Arts exhibit. This is one of the instrumental times where students with art majors have the opportunity to display their work to Stout and the community.

This year the exhibit involves both students and teachers who are creating strong work in a wide variety of media. In total, there are forty-six individual artists, many with multiple pieces on display. This exhibit features pieces in several mediums, from oil paintings, jewelry and plaster, to more abstract sculptures.

When selecting which pieces to display, Michael Karaken, organizer and judge for the exhibit, considered many different factors. Foremost, the question in Karaken's mind was if the artist understood his or her craft, if they were engaged with tradition, and if they took any risks. This initial question narrowed the selection field to those who truly put forth the effort to have their pieces displayed.

In addition to this criteria, Karaken also judged the pieces on their technical skill, as well as the persona the pieces carried. To make the show, artists needed to emit a personal vision or idea through their works.

"Pairing down the show to its present size was not an easy task," Karaken said. "I was forced to make some difficult choices, and I salute all of the artists who submitted their work for consideration."

Overall, the End of Year Fine Arts Exhibit is an excellent way to view the amount of artistic talent that we have here. If anybody has a few minute's time, somewhere between now and May 17, I'd strongly encourage you to check out the exhibit at the Furlong Gallery in Micheel's Hall. As one views the pieces, keep in mind that in a few years, we may all have to pay to see the same artists display their designs. That's my bed and I'm sleeping in it.

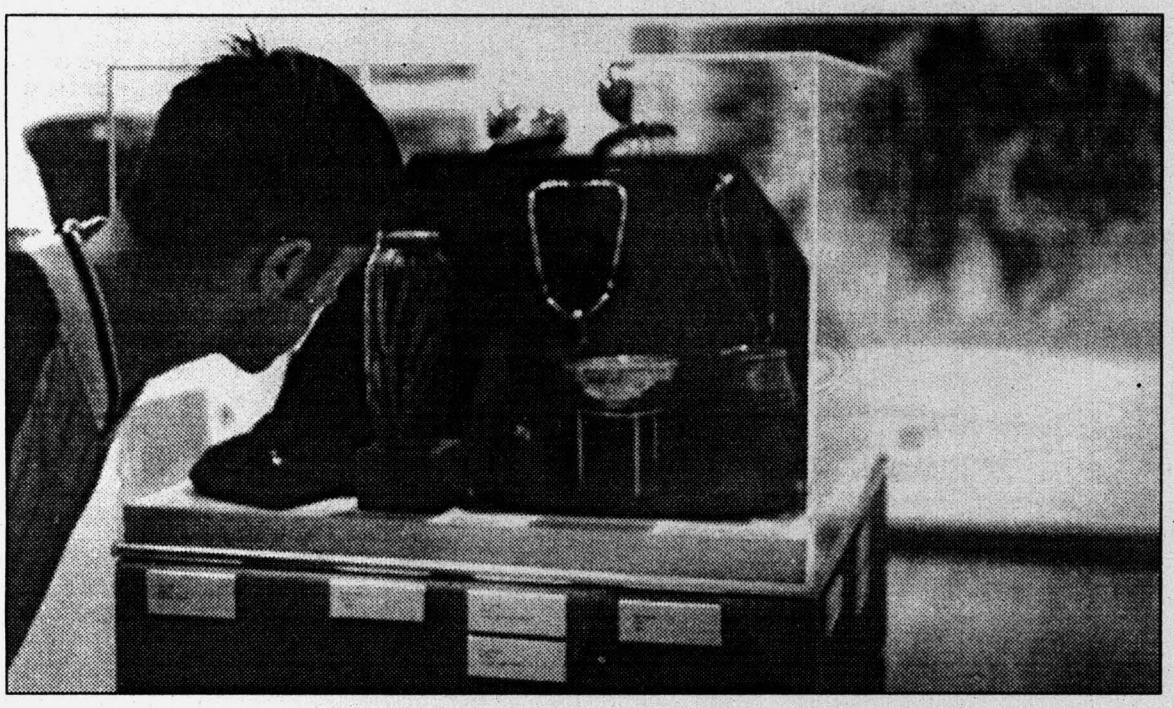


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The Furlong Gallery began displaying its 1999 End of the Year Fine Arts Exhibit on Tuesday. The pieces reflect all types of mediums, from oil paintings to ceramics to jewelry. The show will run through May 17.

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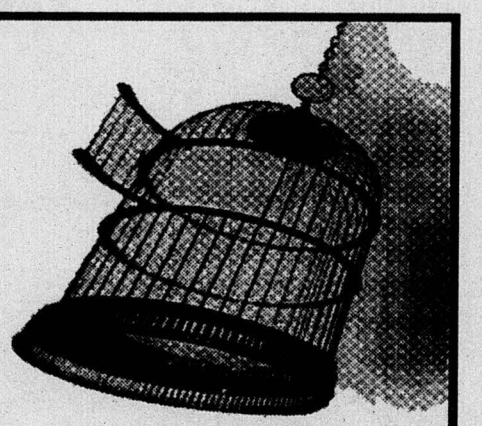
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Soccer club tops Point, places 2nd

by Corey Klein
Entertainment Editor

The weekend could have been called a marathon just as well as a soccer tournament.

To win the tenth annual Point Classic, hosted by the Stevens Point Men's Soccer Club, the team must win seven games in a forty-eight hour period. Stout's team managed to come up just short of that feat last weekend, beating out some impressive opposition on the way to a second place finish.

The tournament was formatted in a round robin style. This included pitting any team in the ten team field against four randomly selected teams on Saturday and early Sunday. These early games were a prerequisite for the Sunday afternoon showdown, in a typical eight team, single elimination bout.

By luck of the draw, Stout's round robin games were well spaced, giving the elevenmember squad an average of two hours of rest in between games. This proved beneficial, as Stout amassed 29 points and a 3-1 record in the early rounds.

The team squared off against fall season foes UW-Eau Claire, a team with a colorful history against the Blue Devils. The ball bounced Stout's way as they cruised to a 4-0 lead before the Blugolds retaliated. There were a few tense moments as Eau Claire crept in with a goal, but the Stout squad fended them off, winning a 4-3 decision. Striker Chad Elert and mid-fielder Jeff Huber each netted the first two goals of many during the opening Eau Claire match.

Later in the afternoon, the Blue Devils faced the University of Minnesota-Morris, a division three squad who they defeated by a 1-0 decision two weeks ago in Duluth, Minnesota. Stout again proved to be the stronger team, as they rolled to a 3-1 win on the Stevens Point floor. Strong net minding by perennial starter Mike Baranowski was crucial during the match as was the defensive efforts of Captain Crosby Warren. Elert and Huber each added to their goal total for the tourney, Elert finding the net two more times as Huber added one of his own.

The Devils then moved on to a late-night game, facing a UW-Stevens Point Alumni squad. The foes proved no match for boys in blue, as five players found the net for a leisurely 6-2 win. Five different players found the net during the match, Corey Klein scoring two goals while Elert, Brooke Erickson, Jake Wise, and Gabe Doring all scored one.

"It was a great feeling. The whole gym was filled with dead silent Pointers' fans, except for the eleven of us screaming our lungs out."

Crosby Warren
Men's Soccer Club Captain

Returning for the second day of competition, the Devil's faced the "Wangdang Doodles", a mix team of Stevens Point and Neenah players, at 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning. The Doodles got the best of the Blue Devils, as the locals fell in a 3-2 match; Josh Wise and Erickson did the scoring for the Stout squad.

Besides losing the match, the Devils also lost key contributors to the team. Jake Wise, forward, was sidelined for the remainder of the tourney, injuring his hamstring. Starting goal tender Baranowski left the match after twisting his ankle. The loss of Baranowski was detrimental for the team, as Baranowski has been outstanding for Stout in his years with the club.

The team nonetheless went on to the single elimination round riding on the backs of back-up keeper Mickey Uss. He was exceptional during the remainder of the tourney, producing 1.66 goals against average in the remaining three matches.

First in the Blue Devils scope was fall league foes Michigan Tech. Skilled footwork was not enough to carry the Huskies to victory, as Stout rebounded from the earlier morning loss with a resounding 4-1 win. Huber scored twice in the match while Elert and Klein paced the team with a goal each.

The win set up the match the Blue Devils had been waiting for all weekend, a chance to top the tourney hosts, the UW-Stevens Point Gold squad. The teams rallied to a 1-1 draw at Phalen Park in the fall season, setting up a dramatic indoor contest. The Pointers were first to light up the scoreboard, slipping through the Stout defense in the first half and posting an early lead.

Stout was still optimistic entering into the second stanza, striking at the Point goal often, missing their mark by inches. This changed with ten minutes left in the contest, when Huber slipped a close-in shot by the Stevens Point keeper, tying the game 1-1.

The goal set up a five minute sudden death overtime period, and the Devils took two minutes of this to score the decisive goal. The fleet-footed Elert again tallied for the team, sending them into the championship match up.

"It was a great feeling," team captain Crosby Warren said of the win. "The whole gym was filled with dead silent Pointers' fans, except for the eleven of us screaming our lungs out."

The win set up a rematch of the early morning defeat at the hands of the Doodles. Stout looked strong at the start when Elert scored his eighth of the tournament in the opening minute of play. The Doodles came storm-

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Photo by Corey Klein, *Entertainment Editor*

Bobbing and weaving, Captain Crosby Warren puts on the moves during the championship game of the tenth annual Point Classic in Stevens Point last weekend. The team fell 3-1 earning a second place finish, but not before beating out four conference foes.

Stout baseball comes out on top this past week

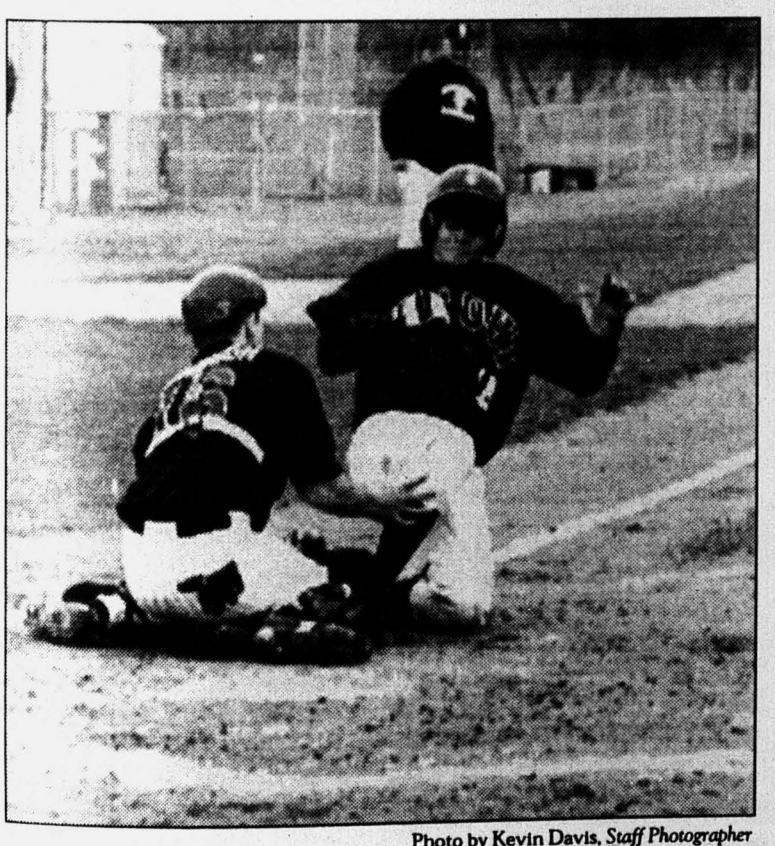


Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

The Men's Baseball team finished out the week with an outstanding game record. Tate Cummins brought his stolen bases career total to 39, falling short of the record by four.

by Nicholas Czaplewski
Staff Reporter

Postponed by the torrential rains from the game against Martin Luther College, the Blue Devil Baseball Team took the field on Saturday, against UW-LaCrosse.

Late into the game, Stout catcher Nick Sattler came up big with a bases-loaded, two-out double to score three runs. Pitcher Matt Lunde received his first collegiate shut-out and his second win in five days, achieving a 3-0 victory record.

On Monday, the Blue Devils split a heart-breaking doubleheader with Augsburg College, winning the opening game 17-3 and coming up short with a 5-2 score in the second game.

J.R. Dachel went 4-4, with three RBIs. Nick Sattler, J.W. Dachel and Tate Cummins each collected two RBIs, while Ryan Hanson went 4-for-5, boosting Jake Streich for his second win of the season.

The second game was another story. Stout rallied late in the sixth inning when Josh Johnson tripled to score Hanson and Nick Kalin. Despite this award-winning play, the Blue Devils simply could not make up the difference to come back for a win.

Nick Sattler was named the WIAC Player of the Week for his performance during the week of April 12-18. Sattler hit .368, going 7-for-19 with a double and five RBIs. He was an asset in the game on Tuesday, giving Stout their first conference win. Behind the plate, Sattler committed one error in 38 chances for a .974 fielding percentage and two throws to gun down runners who were attempting to steal second base.

Adam Shoberg and the rest of the Blue Devils swept Martin Luther College in the rain makeup games last Wednesday.

Stout opened the day with a 5-2 win over the Knights, then Schoberg struck out eight and allowed only two runners onto bases in a 9-0 win in the evening.

J.W. Dachel led the attack in game one, going 2-for-4 with three RBIs. J.R. Dachel and Tate Cummins were both 2-for-4.

Ryan Wolf withstood eight innings on the mound to receive his first collegiate win, allowing only six hits, posting four strikeouts, and giving up one earned run.

Ryan Hanson scored on an error in the fifth inning, while Eric Lund and Andy Guden both picked up two RBIs in the second game, as the Blue Devils scored six runs to close the books on Martin Luther College.

Last Saturday, top ranked UW-Oshkosh had to work extremely hard to keep the Blue Devils from handing them their first loss of the season as Oshkosh took two conference games from Stout.

Ryan Hanson scored on an error, while Eric Lund drove in Josh Johnson and Tony Vitcenda, who eventually scored on a wild pitch.

The Blue Devils' best scoring chance was in the second inning when they left two stranded. Only four runners were left stranded in the entire game.

Last weekend UW-Stevens Point handed Stout a double setback, with the scores of 8-5 and 7-6.

Sattler, Vitcenda, Lund, and Cummins all contributed greatly in game one. Stout stranded too many runners in the first game; however, Cummins stole a base, bringing his career total up to 39, four short of the school record of 43.

Matt Lunde and Josh Johnson pulled their weight in the second game, yet they still came up short because of little fire power at the plate.

Stout returns to action this Friday when they host UW-River Falls at 1:00 p.m. at Nelson Field.

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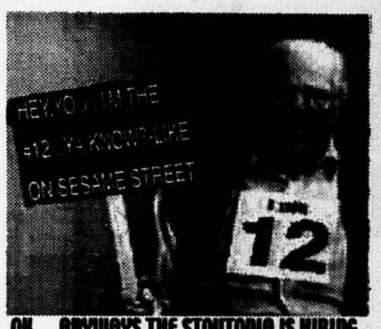
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ing back, however, scoring three goals on their way to winning the Point Classic.

Not letting the defeat disappoint them, the Devils realized that they were as much victims of fatigue as the Doodles. Everyone was optimistic at the tournament's results, as the Devils defeated three teams in their conference as well as a respected division three team.

"This weekend's events," summarized Andy Richason, freshman, "Made us much more confident for the upcoming fall season."

The Blue Devils will again hit the field for regular season play this fall.



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April 30-May 1 — 10 a.m.
at WIAC Championships

Baseball
Friday, April 30 — 1 p.m.
vs. UW-River Falls
Saturday, May 1 — 12 p.m.
at UW-Superior

Softball
May 1 & 2 — TBA
at UW-River Falls Tournament
Tuesday May 4 — 3 p.m.
vs. Winona Sate

Women's Track & Field
April 30-May 1 — 10 a.m.
at WIAC Championship

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Men's Track & Field

UW-Stout's Mike Bethke (Junior, Mondovi) may have placed fourth in the shot put at the UW-Eau Claire Blugold Invitational, but his distance ranks as one of the best in Blue Devil history.

Only 1998 shotput national champion Jason Lehman and national qualifier Keith Blake have thrown the shotput further for the Devils' than Bethke's toss of 52 feet, 4 inches.

Stout didn't take any first place finishes at the meet where they placed fifth out of 15 teams, but coach Chris Hall was pleased to see the depth he has been looking for, as Stout heads into the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) championships April 30 - May 1 at River Falls.

Stout got a fourth place finish from Tim Hamill (Sr, Brookfield) in the 800-meter run (1:57.05) and a sixth place finish from John Hanson (Fr, Grantsburg) in the same event (1:57.80). Jason Petersohn (Sr, Manitowoc) was sixth in the 1500-meter (4:02.22), as was Dan Reinert (Jr, Elk Mound) in the 200 (23.01).

The 4x100 and 4x400 relay teams placed second. Corey Knudsen (Fr, Elk Mound) was third in the pole vault (15-5) and Eric Hanson (Jr, Winona, Minn) was fifth in the steeplechase (9:40.40), as was Bethke in the javelin (154-3). Corey O'Donnell (Sr, Chippewa Falls) was sixth in the hammer throw (157-5) and Eric Moe (Fr, Whitehall) was sixth in the triple jump (43-11.25).

Women's Track & Field

For the third time this season, Jennifer Turner (So, Eden Prairie, Minn) set a new UW-Stout record in the hammer throw as the Blue Devil women had a number of good performances in placing third at the UW-Eau Claire Blugold Invitational Saturday, April 24.

Turner, who established the initial Stout hammer record last season, placed second with a toss of 147 feet, 4 inches. Turner has increased her throw from the beginning of the season by almost 30 feet and the mark reached the NCAA Division III provisional qualifying distance.

Stout also got firsts from Katie Jacobson (Sr, Eau Claire) in the 800-meter run (2:14.36), Katy Olsen (Sr, Rice Lake) in the 1500-meter (4:49.68) - a career best - and Alison West (Fr, Cadott) in the 400-hurdles (1:06.66). West edged out teammate Michelle Abramczak (So, Stanley) in the event, with Abramczak finishing at 1:06.79.

Jen Wucherer (Jr, Edgar) looks to be back in form after breaking her foot during the cross country season. Wucherer finished second in the 3000-meter (10:51.76).

The Blue Devils also got second place finishes from Andi Schwabenlender (Fr, Bristol) in the high jump (5-3) and from the 4x400-relay team (4:11.08). Finishing third for Stout were Tia Richardson (Fr, Spring Lake) in the 400-meter (1:03.82) and Jen Bahr (Jr, Forest Lake, Minn) in the 1500 (4:59.52).

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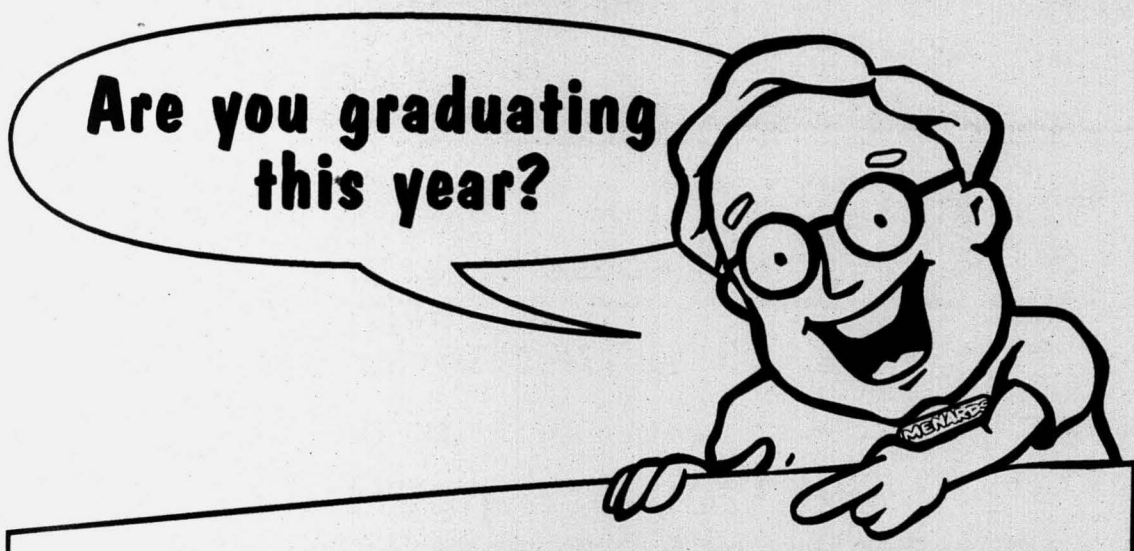
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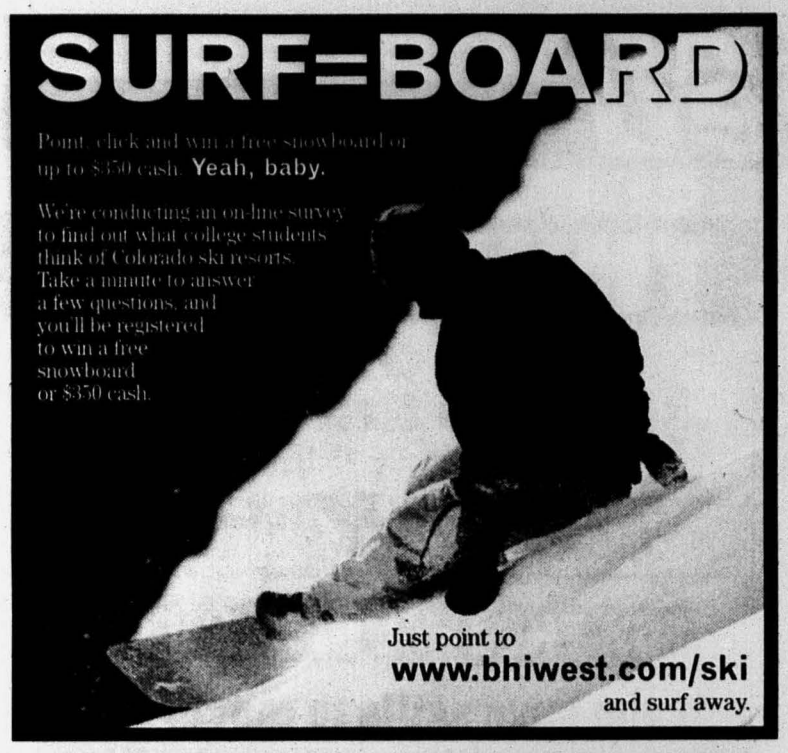
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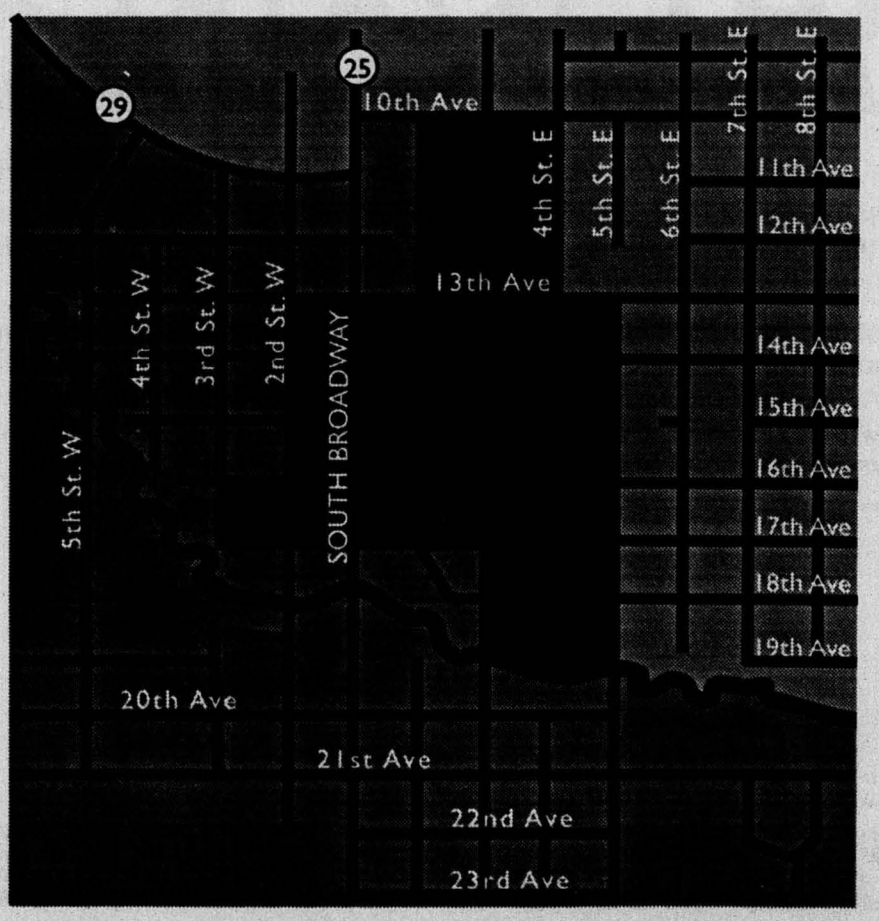
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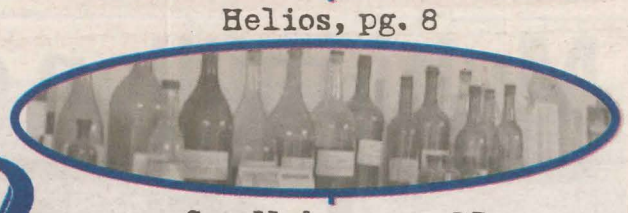
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Practical Joke becomes serious

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

Amanda Singstock, Residential Advisor of second floor Cube C in South Hall, was awakened by fists pounding on her door in the early morning hours of April 23. She opened her door to find several of her residents standing in an inch of water.

It was soon discovered that the flooding started after someone plugged the janitor's soap sink with pieces of notebook paper. In a report drafted by the University Police, it is believed that the flooding began around 3:30 a.m. and was not discovered until 5:30 a.m. by night security. In just two hours time, the flooding caused extensive damage that leaked all the way into the basement.

"I woke up to the sound of vacuum cleaners around 7 a.m., rolled out of bed, into about three inches of water," recalled Angie Colvin, a freshman living on second floor South Hall, Cube C. "I lost a lot of items including yearbooks, a semester project for one of my classes, my entertainment center, computer disks, and books. Some of my clothes were discolored. I was pretty irate."

When all the damage was accounted for, it turned out there were nine rooms on second floor Cube C that had excessive water damage. Residents lost furniture, photos, papers, and anything else that happened to be laying on the floor.

Water leaked through the floor to several first floor rooms below, damaging a computer, stereos, and art projects in seven rooms.
Expenses to clean-up this incident cost around $430, as estimated by Martin Fritz of Residence Life.

It is believed the incident is related to a series of practical jokes played between the first and second floor in Cube C of South Hall this past semester.

The police are still investigating this incident and have several suspects. If the person(s) responsible for the flooding is apprehended, they will receive formal charges and will be held responsible for clean-up and damage costs.

The guilty party(s) will also be brought before the Campus Conduct Committee to receive further punishment.

South Hall students say they have learned one significant lesson from this, practical jokes can be damaging, not only to themselves but to others and many residents are mourning the loss of items not easily replaced.
The University is assuring they will not tolerate destruction of property on campus.

Mayday Festival



Photo submitted by Mike Campbell

The first Mayday Art and Musical Festival was held Saturday in the South Mall area. There were local DJ's featured along with activities for spectators such as Airbrush Tattoos, Ceramics, Tie Dye Tapestries. Above, the band Papa Jig a Watt performs while students feel the groove.

Interior design helps Himalayan monks

by Kelly Neidt
Staff Reporter

A historic building in Menomonie will soon be restored and remodeled, thanks to UW-Stout students in the Interior Design program.

The students in Interior Design II, whose course work involves architectural design and residential interior design, are remodeling the old East Elementary School on 11th Street. The building dates back to 1925, when the original structure was constructed. An addition to the building was made in 1950.

Assisting in the project will be the Himalayan Missionaries, a non-profit spiritual, educational, and charitable organization. This group focuses on science, meditation, music, yoga, philosophy, academics, and wellness as a way of life.

Once the former elementary school, now vacant, is finished being restored, the Himalayan Missionaries plan to use it as a missionary seminary for training advanced monks in meditation and yoga sciences.

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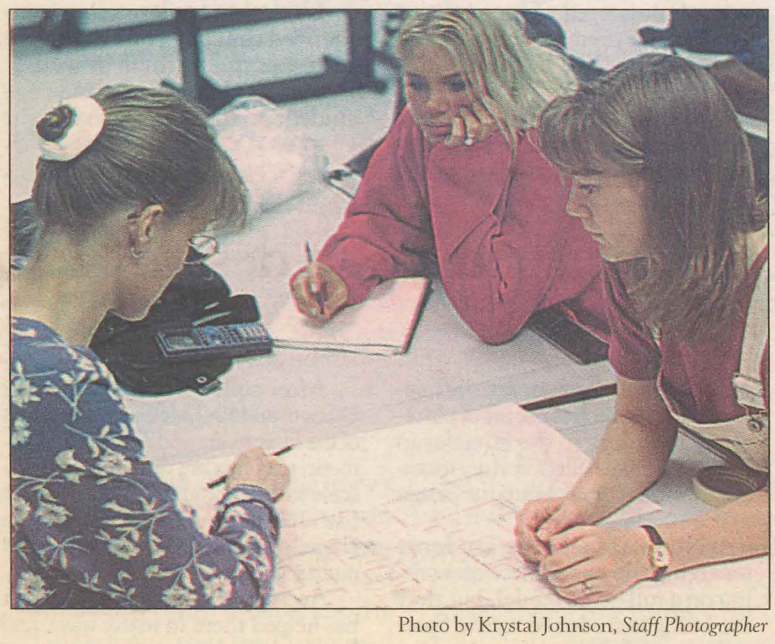


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Interior Design 2 was the class chosen to take on the project of remodeling a local business for Himalayan monks. While getting hands-on experience, they got a taste of Eastern tradition.

Program benefits high risk students

■ College of Arts and Sciences begins courses for those that otherwise would not be enrolled

Submitted by
UW-Stout News Release

A new program in the College of Arts and Sciences spells the difference between failure and success for many University of Wisconsin-Stout students.

"The Bridge program is designed to help high-risk students succeed," stated John Murphy, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Murphy explained that these students are at high risk academically and would not normally enroll at the university because of the rise in admission standards.

"These are students who would not otherwise have been admitted to the university because of their academic performance in high school," Murphy said, "and/or because of their ACT scores."

Retention is usually a problem with high-risk students, according to Murphy. So to reinforce learning and memory, students are placed in classes in which they interact.

Students take three classes: reading and study skills, English, and social science. All three classes focus on the topic being covered in the social science class. "They are reinforced in all their classes so it all comes together and makes sense," Murphy said.

Classes are taught by a team of instructors. These instructors meet to communicate and discuss problems and ideas, and students are monitored closely.

"It's like a private school education at a public institution," Murphy said.

Brian Fitch, of UW-Stout's department of English and Philosophy, teaches an English composition course linked to an American government course taught by Alec Kirby, of the department of social science.

"The Bridge program puts Stout at the cutting edge of pedagogical thought," Fitch said. "Linked courses and learning communities are part of a powerful movement in education." Fitch added that a student's sense of self-esteem increases, and they feel better about themselves and education.

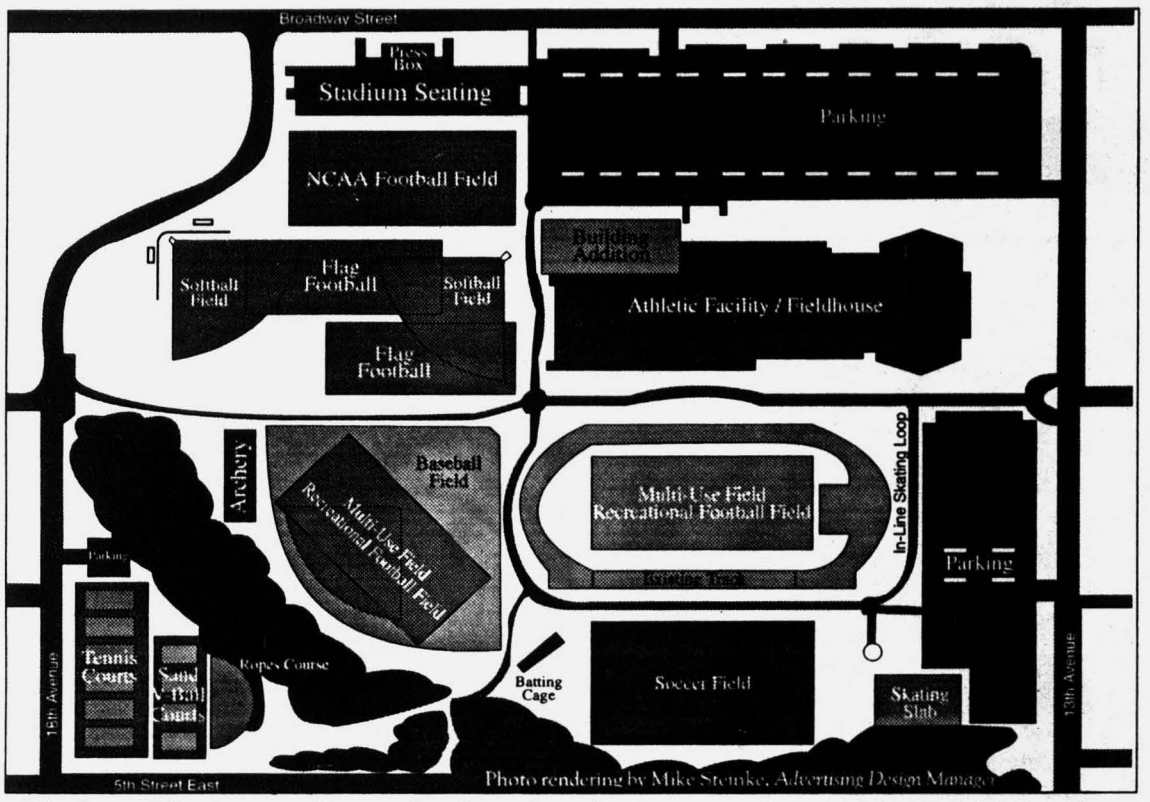
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Graduation

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Multi-million dollar project to start next year



The layout for the new Recreation Complex gives a more adequate picture of the design's enormous potential and space allocations. Heavier construction will not begin until May of 2000, but the tennis courts, located in the southeast corner, are scheduled to begin immediately.

by Sarah Gudmanson
News Editor

Around this time next year, construction is scheduled to begin on the new Recreation Complex.

The project addresses the needs of a growing intramural program. Many students are currently being forced to travel around Menomonie to participate in intramural team events.

Estimated cost of the project is at $6,850,000.

Provisions in the plans for the Recreation Complex will provide adequate space for the intramural programs such as two fields for the 800 students involved in intramural softball, a flag football field and women's soccer field.

Also included in the construction will be tennis and volleyball courts, an in-line skating loop, an NCAA football field with a capacity for 4,000 spectators, and much more.

"The new Rec Complex will bring students back to campus," Bob Johnson, committee chair, said.

It is also thought that a structure of this size will benefit the entire city, increasing revenue from tourism.

But Johnson admits that while construction is in progress, parking will be tight. Lot 5 will be cut down by 375 spaces, leaving only 150 spaces available.

And with the Communications Center Replacement Project premiering around the same time, space and convenience will be issues for the campus over the next couple years.

Preventive measures are being taken by the university to ensure parking will go as smoothly as possible during construction. Lot 29 has been expanded to accomodate more vehicles, along with land purchases on 6th street and construction of North Campus parking in order to take the sting out of limited spacing.

Funding for the Recreation Complex has come from three main areas. When the plans were approved, students had paid a segregated fee, from 1996-97, which will contribute to 3 million of the total cost, an amount that was also matched by the university.

The rest, $850,000, is coming from the city, county, and school district.

But the university will not have to foot the bill for their second venture, the Communications Center, as the $7.5 million cost will be funded by the state.

Computer virus hoaxes flood student computers

by Rachel Maguire
Staff Reporter

"Sweet Melissa...we miss you because your sister isn't so nice," was the subject on an e-mail that many Stout students have received in the past couple of weeks.

This e-mail message warns people not to open any e-mail message entitled "It Takes Guts to Say Jesus" and claims that it contains a virus which will erase everything on your hard drive, even scramble any disks near your computer. What's even worse than the thought of an e-mail virus like this, is that it's a hoax.

The Internet is constantly being flooded with information about viruses and Trojans. However, interspersed among real virus notices are computer virus hoaxes. While these hoaxes do not infect systems, they are still time consuming and costly to handle.

"E-mail users have the ability to significantly affect the outcome of this incident," explained Michael Vatis, the director of the National Infrastructure Protection Center. "I urge [them] to exercise caution when reading their e-mail."

There are several methods to identify virus hoaxes, but first consider what makes a successful hoax on the Internet. There are two known factors that make a virus hoax work, technical-sounding language and credibility by association. If the warning uses the proper technical jargon, most individuals, including technical savvy individuals, tend to believe the warning is real.

Individuals should also be especially alert if the warning urges the message to be sent to friends. This should raise a red flag that the warning is a hoax. Another flag to watch for is when the warning indicates that it is a Federal Communication Center (FCC) warning. According to the FCC, they have not and never will disseminate warnings on viruses.

The Computer Incident Advisory Capability (CIAC) recommends that you do not circulate virus warnings without an authoritative source. Authoritative sources include a computer system security administrator or a computer advisory team.

Real warnings about viruses and other network problems are issued by different response teams and are digitally signed by the sending team using Pretty Good Privacy (PGP), a program that encrypts the electronic message.

If a downloaded warning is from a team's web site or is validated with the PGP signature, individuals can then be assured that the warning is real.

Warnings without a name, address or phone number, or that include numbers that do not actually exist, are most likely hoaxes.

Large underage bust at The Spot

■ Local bar bust leads to numerous fines

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

For all the underage students whose fun at The Spot Tavern last week turned into a nightmare, don't be surprised if more crack-downs occur for underage drinkers or nondrinkers on the premises of a bar.

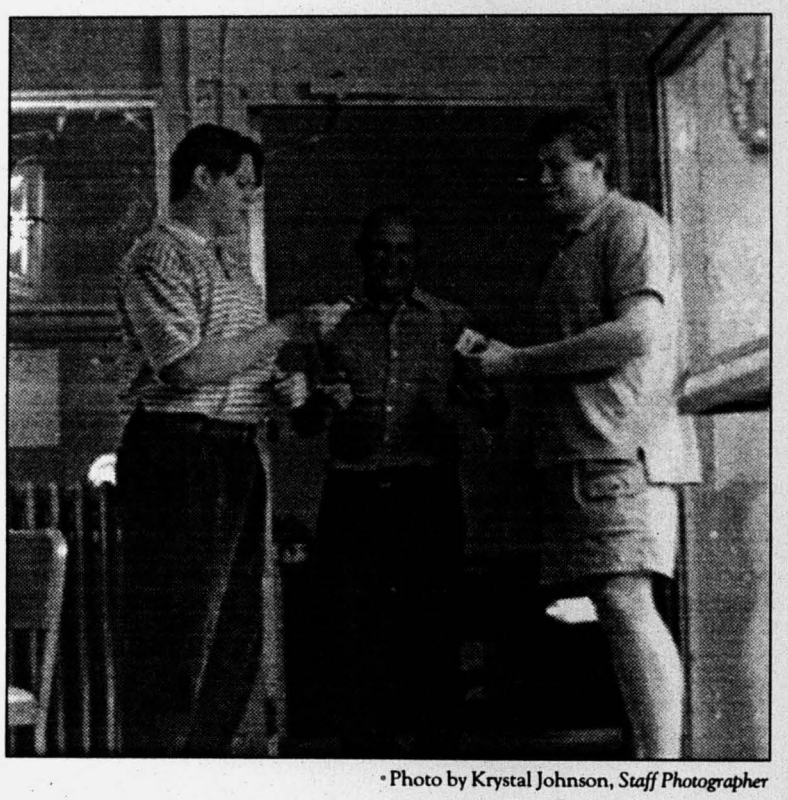
On Tuesday April 27, officers conducted several ID checks at The Spot Tavern during a random check for underage drinkers. Twenty nine people were found on the premise underage and of those twenty nine, twenty seven were found to be intoxicated.

All the individuals were cited for being "on or entering the premise" as stated in the police report. The fine was $393.50 for each individual. The bar was also charged $209.00 for each ticket given out, costing the bar over $6,000.

If one more underage ticket is given out at the bar, it will be forced to close down for the year.

One employee, who had left a half hour before the bust said, "All the bartenders were checking IDs for underage drinkers; it is hard though to always detect all the fake IDs."

Nolan Waldron, another worker, commented, "We were short staffed that night with a missing bouncer and bartender; we did all we could to restrict underage drinkers from entering onto the premise."



• Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

The Spot, a local bar deemed minor heaven by some, was brought down by the police last Tuesday. Two bouncers working are now carding all customers at the Spot.

With all the tickets given out that night, not one breathalyzer was administered. Three officers secured the premise and checked everyone as they left the building for IDs only.

Waldron said, "The cops were very rude to the patrons working that night, insisting that they let all the underage drinking go on purposely."

Underage students also commented that the cops were very disrespectful to them as well.

Heather Johnson, an underage student on the premise that night

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Bridge Program/assists students

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disciplinary connections," Fitch said. "They see that their work does not just pertain to one class. They are learning what it means to be an educated person."

The program promotes communication between instructors from different disciplines. Fitch commented that he and Kirby "go into each other's classrooms a lot."

They also recently traveled to a national conference at the University of South Florida to give a presentation based on the program. Representatives from some 400 universities in the United States and Canada attended. Fitch was excited to report the presentation was well-received. He hopes the program will expand at Stout, leading to the forefront of new thought in higher education.

Will a bridge make a difference? "It's probably a little bit too early to tell at UW-Stout, but students are responding wonderfully," Fitch said, "in exactly the way literature shows that students respond to this kind of learning."

This type of program was "wildly successful" at St. Cloud State University, where Murphy taught before coming to Stout. "The program is truly an academic intervention," he said. An intervention that could, like most interventions, affect a person's opportunities for a lifetime.

Remodeling/ A new perspective in design

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Recker, Interior Design instructor, read an article in the newspaper about the missionaries purchasing the elementary school in order to restore it.

Students met with Sant S. Dharamananda, who is chair of the Board of Advisers of the Himalayan Missionaries, to begin the project.

According to Dharamananda, this project has been a beneficial one for those in the Interior Design program. "This has been a new experience from the students' perspective."

Interior design students have been introduced to the concept "Sthapatya Veda," which is the art of placement according to the Himalayan Indian spiritual beliefs, and are incorporating this concept into the design of the building.

Not only are the students receiving the experience of working on a full-scale model, but they are being introduced to the Eastern way of design.

In addition to renovating the outside of the structure, improvements inside the building are planned.

After collaborating with Peter D'Souza and Phil McGuirk, professors of the Hospitality and Tourism Department, students are designing a large-scale kitchen and dining facility for the monks, along with restoring a chapel, dormitories, a library, and a multi-purpose room.

According to Recker, the project has helped them in many ways, and is a "one of a kind project in that it has a multi-cultural design aspect, and it presents a challenge right here in our community."

Fee case doesn't hold at Eau Claire

■ Supreme Court decision won't affect manadatory fee case at UW-Eau Claire

A supreme Court case about useing university money for groups students may object to won't have much of an impact at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, a student leader said.

The high court decided last week it will hear a UW-Madison case about whether state-run universities can collect activity fees from all students, even it they object to ideological or political groups.

Student Body President Eric Kasper said the situation at UW-Eau Claire is different, so the court's decision won't have much of an effect.

"We don't fund organizations; we fund organized activities," Kasper said. "It's not the same problem."

Organized activities include educaitonal groups such as the Artist and Forum series. the Children's Center and Health Services.

Some groups take a political or ideological stance, and that is why UW-Eau Claire doen't fund them through segregated fees, said William Keeton, academic affairs director for the Student Senate.

The UW-Madison case originally was filed in 1996 by three law students who disagreed with thier money being directed to 18 organizations thath take political or ideological stances, including Students of National Organiztions for Women, International Socialist Organization, Campus Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Center and an Aids support network.

A federal trial judge and an appeals court ruled students would be foced to fund organizations that they might find objectionable.

The lower court barred the university from taking fees from students to fund objectionable organizations because it violates their free speech.

At UW-Eau Claire students already have the option to receive a refund from the United Council which obtains 95 cents fro each student through segregated fees. United Council is the largest statewide student association, representing 140,000 students.

Kasper said either way the Supreme Court ruling probably won't be substantial for Eau Claire.

UW-Eau Claire will do whatever is necessary to comply with the court's decision, said Charles Bauer, UW-Eau Claire's vice chancellor of business and student services.

Bauer said the university recognizes organiztions but does not fund them so they can maintain their independence.

Student organizations are allowed to use space at the university for meetings without charge, but if they have a fund-raising event, they need to pay rent.

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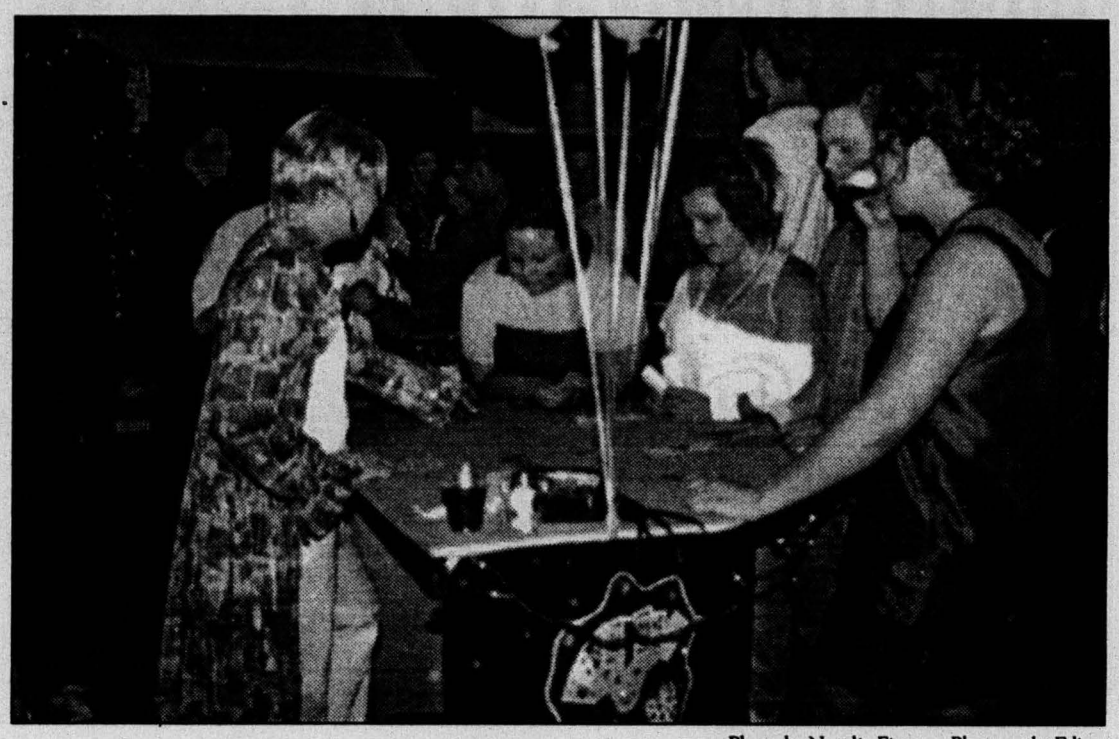


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Students dressed in all eras, from the 20s to the new millenium, attended Stout's Decade Dance on Wednesday. Students who had worked hard on their costumes were appropriately awarded with money. Two hundred dollars in prizes were given away.

The Spot/underage arrests

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said, "We had gone there to eat that night around 11:00 p.m., not knowing that we could be ticketed." The cook that night said, "We were serving food up until around 11:30 p.m. and then closed off the kitchen." The Spot does allow people in their bar area until 11:00 p.m. to eat, and after that, patrons are subject to being ticketed.

The Spot has now hired another bouncer Wednesday through Saturday and is requiring a stamped hand by the bouncer or bartender to drink, and a valid ID is always required.

According to Don Schmidt, employee, The Spot is "carding quite heavily now."



Police *Beat*

Complied by Jasmine Hollyfield from UW-Stout Security and Police Operations

Disorderly conduct/indecent exposure

While an officer was on patrol, he observed about 20-25 nude males jogging around the Nelson Field track. There were about 30 others (fully clothed) standing nearby watching. The officer told everyone they had to leave and they did.

Theft/university/cash

A building superintendent reported that someone had broken into a coin drop box in the laundry room of CKTO. The contents of the box amounted to $123. At this time, there are no suspects or witnesses.

Disorderly conduct/indecent exposure

A female student in the library reported that a male subject was in a room looking at pornography and also that he exposed himself. A staff member at the library approached him and asked for ID. He didn't have the proper ID and was asked to leave. He is described as a white male, late 30s, 6', slim build, long dark hair, balding on top, wearing glasses, and a green trench coat.

Suspicious person

While an officer was on patrol, he spotted a subject wearing a white shirt running toward the woods directly to the east of JTC. The MPD was advised and arrived on the scene. The subject was apprehended at the entrance to JTC. He stated he ran because he didn't know it was an officer chasing him. The student had not been drinking and was released.

Theft/motor vehicle

On April 25, a student parked his truck in the lot near the Vocational Rehabilitation building at 3:00 a.m. It was missing when he returned. Later that same day, the truck was found a few miles west of Eau Claire completely stripped. It had been hot-wired. This is still under investigation.

Kosovo



On Tuesday a U.S. F-16 fighter shot down another Yugoslav MiG-29. It was the sixth one shot down since the air raids began seven weeks ago. One more that was on the ground was also bombed. This came as a result of the allies intensifying their bombings of military targets. The success is attributed to the clear weather over the Balkans this past weekend. Air Force General Charles Wald estimated that about 25 percent of the Yugoslav's tanks, armored personnel carriers, and trucks have been destroyed. He went on to say that they only have four remaining MiG-29s out of the 15 they had when the attacks began.

The recent weekend raids caused some electrical problems for Serbia. Electricity was disrupted across the republic due to problems at a huge power plant on the Danube River, according to a Yugoslav news agency. This news came after reports that NATO conducted air raids on Serbia's main power stations. The raids left some 70 percent of the republic in a blackened out state; however, power was restored on Monday.

Serb television reported that their army had shot down two NATO planes. The reports were accompanied by film showing fragments of an aircraft. The reports have yet to be confirmed by an independent source.



News *Briefs*

Compiled by Jasmine Hollyfield

UW-Eau Claire files federal complaint

Students at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire wanted a women's hockey team. University officials said no, stating that they have no plans to fund any new sports on campus. Students claim this position violates federal laws that protect them from discrimination based on sex in federally funded programs.

Governor proposes million-dollar program

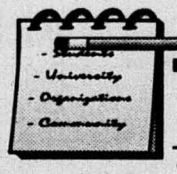
According to employment reports, there are plenty of available jobs in Wisconsin, just not enough qualified people to fill them. As a result, Governor Thompson has proposed a nearly 20 million dollar program to increase the number of high school students involved in apprenticeship programs.

Tornadoes kill 45

In what has been described as the biggest tornadoes to ever hit Oklahoma, at least 45 people are dead and entire communities wiped out. The storms began on Monday and didn't let up until Tuesday. President Clinton has already declared several counties in Oklahoma and Kansas as federal disaster areas. Volunteers are still searching for trapped victims.

Air Force "mission failure" under investigation

On Tuesday, the U.S. Air Force officially declared last Friday's $1.2 billion launch a 'mission failure.' The satellite, a $800 million Milstar communications satellite, was stranded tens of thousands of miles below its intended orbit. This is the Air Force's third consecutive launch breakdown. The total cost of the three breakdowns is about $3 billion.



University *Notes*

Complied from Jasmine Hollyfield from submitted news releases

Graduation Buffet

A buffet will be held in the Great Hall after each graduation celebration on Saturday, May 15 from 11a.m.-3:30p.m. There is limited seating, so call x-1482 for tickets and info or stop by room 224 in the MSC. The ticket price is $7.95.

Cinco de Mayo

A celebration for all will be held in the Great Hall with music by Expression Latina on Friday, May 7. Admission and refreshments are free. It will be from 8:30-midnight and is sponsored by Club Los Hispanos.

Alfresco Outing Club

The Alfresco Outing Club is sponsoring a skydiving excursion on May 8 and also outdoor rock climbing on May 9. For more information contact them at x-1830.

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Editorial

The real world sucks

The moment is finally here and the graduating Stoutonia staff is already thinking of things that will be missed.

From the top of our heads, here's 30 reasons WHY THE REAL WORLD SUCKS:



Walk of shame is a longer commute and costs money; you're considered a loser when bartenders know your drink; co-workers won't be interested in your bong collection; the dating pool is an endangered species; owning rather than renting means actually taking care of your stuff; lots of money and no group of friends to spend it with; it's no longer okay to go to the community health center; you have to expand your vocabulary to words that don't have a form of f*** in them; can't order a round of "blowjobs" for the table; being poor is no longer an excuse for horrid decorating; student loans represent real money owed; no more mid-day napping; house parties are now five boring people and martinis; going to work- sober; no more cups of free stuff; shopping at Goodwill is no longer acceptable; compromising videotapes and photographs begin to surface; $200 per month only covers utilities; expression through body piercing not appreciated; no second chances- can't re-take a job; can't go out 1,2...7 nights per week; it's no longer amusing when people "grind"; communal living is considered weird; Spring Break is visiting "the fam" in Fargo; the "freshman 15" excuse no longer cuts it; single friends drop like flies; exercise is not just a walk from Bowman; "What company are you with?" is the first question you ask potential dates; The Real World is no longer just something you watch on TV.

Letters

Dear Editor:

As both a student and paranormal investigator on campus, I have received several calls regarding the haunting in JTC. Even though I had no direct participation in the April 15 article, my number did appear at the end of it. As far as I am concerned, the article was very accurate.

Last week, Tracy Johnson submitted a letter pointing out what she believed to be errors in the article by Jake Groshek. Only her letter was filled with a plethora of incorrect and misleading facts.

First, the cold drafts that were reported happened in the same room, often inches away. When someone moved their hand or body into this area, the temperature difference was dramatic. Could this still be imagined? Possibly. Yet when this sensation is backed up by the use of a laser-accurate thermometer, it becomes even more credible.

As for her statement, "We have had the same custodians for several years and they have not seen or heard anything," this is completely untrue. One of the first documented interviews in this case was with a custodian from JTC.

I do believe that students try to scare one another at JTC, but how does this explain anomalies picked up with an electric magnetic field detector? Also, there's no time discrepancy as to when fog appeared in Jeter basement- it was last semester.

Furniture being moved, and in one occurrence hitting someone, can perhaps be explained by the "structural dynamics" of the building, as stated by Tracy Johnson. Or maybe it is called psychokenesis, the ability to move inanimate objects often in violation of the laws of gravity.

This all leads to the question of why someone would write a letter overflowing with inaccuracies without calling either of the investigators first?

When ideas and evidence conflict with previously held beliefs, it is sometimes much easier to try to debunk these ideas instead of actually having to contemplate the evidence. When one completely disregards credible evidence and disbands skeptical vigilance, the "square world" becomes much easier to swallow. As Stanton Friedman once said, "Don't confuse me with the facts, my mind is made up."

If anyone has questions on this case or on paranormal in general my number is 1-800-472-3312, enter 4639 after the tone.

Chad Lewis
Mutual UFO Network and
American Ghost Society

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Home schooling is still not the answer

About 2 years ago, I wrote a column on home schooling that drew more attention than anything that I have written for **The Stoutonia**.

The letters and e-mail flew in. People were angry at my strong opinion on home schooling, I was being invited to home schooling parent meetings, and people were stopping me on campus to talk about their home schooling experiences.

My thoughts and opinions really haven't changed all that much. I still believe that children need to be taught in the classroom and not at home. But I have to say that there are a lot of excellent home schooling programs out there. So what are the issues that I hold with home schooling, and how are they different than the last column that I wrote?

Eddie Mullins
Columnist

I have real problem with parents who home school their children and who don't have a college degree in teaching. In some states it's against the law to home school your children without a teaching degree.

Last time, a reader wrote in, saying that parents are natural teachers with or without a teaching degree. Yes, parents are great life teachers, but not educational teachers — there is a huge difference. It's one thing to teach your child the moral lessons in life, and completely another to teach your child educational lessons on the history of the 1800s or in solving problems in advanced math. Do you understand the point I'm getting at?

Why should children be in a dangerous place like school anyway, where there are shootings and gang violence? I agree this is a pretty scary thing. Today, you do have choices as to which school your child attends. There are also environment issues in home schooling. I believe that children become better learners in the classroom, rather than in their own home. We all understand that school is a learning-based environment and a home isn't, because there are too many distractions. Let's face it, most of us, when it comes time to studying, study better in the library than at home, because there are no distractions.

On a positive note, there's now a school in Texas called North Texas Academy that has an excellent home schooling program. For a fee you get text books, tutors or teachers and follow-up programs to keep students on task. This is the program that teen super-star Leann Rimes works with.

Overall, home schooling makes children grow up faster than they are ready to, just because there is no time structure. In most cases home schooled children are either ahead of or behind the children that go to school, because of differing curriculum.

Education is an important issue, is it not? Comments can be directed to me at mullinse@post.uwstout.edu.

Campus Slant

How much money do you expect to get back from your landlord?



"Before or after pimp fees?"

Ben Tomandl
Senior
HDFS



"None, because of that fire we started in the bathroom."

Rustin Keller
Zach Nowicki
Freshmen



"Ish? Fo' real, we can get money back? Now I can get those breast implants I always wanted."

Jana Sackmeister
Senior
Graphic Design



"I deserve it all back; my house is a dump."

*Uhh...Sorry, we screwed up his picture -the Stoutonia.

Rob Weiler
Senior
Hospitality and Tourism



"I live in a Sawdust apartment, so none."

Shawn Voeck
Sophomore
Psychology

See you in the fall. Congratulations to all graduates!

Campus Slant is compiled by Kevin Hayes. If you have ideas for Campus Slant, send them to:
The Stoutonia, 149 Memorial Student Center Menomonie, WI 54751 or e-mail them to: stoutonia@UW-Stout.edu

Letters

Dear Editor:

I would like to clarify my comments quoted in the April 22 issue about the closing of the UW-Stout English Language Institute.

First, I am very saddened to hear that you are closing your ESL program. At a time when I am trying to build relationships between not only the UW's ESL programs but the private sector's programs to make us stronger and more viable entities, it is very disheartening to hear of a program's closure. I would like to make Wisconsin a well-known place to learn English.

It would be nice if the governor and the legislature would see how valuable ESL programs are to the state's economy and culture so that they would invest in them. Wisconsin's ESL programs bring millions of dollars to the state economy. This would certainly take some of the burden off of individual programs such as your ELI. We need help in marketing our programs and I believe the state should help.

Stout's belief that the Hospitality and Tourism program will replace lost foreign students will not work for two reasons. Finding students who have the required TOEFL score is difficult for the entire university at large - no matter the major.

It takes an ESL program on campus to feed into the University (all majors) to keep the foreign student level high (unless you have attractive graduate programs such as MBA's or M.S.'s in Engineering). Our ESL Program is responsible for almost half of the 200 foreign students matriculating on campus. That means they did not have the required TOEFL so they were accepted into the University, but had to take our program first. Without the ESL Program, they would have had to go to another institution.

Another factor is that the smallest target market for ESL students is the market for undergraduate students. That means most UW campuses are competing in the toughest ESL market, so the skill and commitment to international marketing must be there in order to be successful. This approach will take increased international marketing skills, money and time (day to day effort with this effort maybe taking up to 5 years or more). With state funds not being given to the UW-System, I do not see many UW campuses willing to support such an investment.

Second, H&T will have to compete with programs in the bigger, better-known cities that can find more internships and jobs for their H&T grads than Stout, making them more attractive. In addition, without an ELI, how can a campus give the kind of support foreign students need in order to be successful? What will you do if students do need additional English skills? After all, the TOEFL is a discreet point test. It tests mostly grammar and reading skills - not the communicative skills needed to be successful at an American university. Trying to attract students without the proper support programs does not seem wise. This is exactly what many UW campuses are trying to do with their diversity drives.

I wonder how we can attract diverse populations if we aren't willing to provide the kind of support needed in order for them to be successful. When I used to advise students overseas , I would lead students away from schools without ESL programs with the belief that if they did need help, the school may not be able to provide the help nor necessarily understand their unique needs.

I also believe that our foreign student population helps UW-Stevens Point's desire for diversity on its campuses. If a prospective African-American or Mexican-American student were to come on campus, seeing the diverse mix of students would make them feel more comfortable. Again, this boils down to marketing, knowing your market and understanding your market. I do not see this awareness in much of UW's diversity plans.

I certainly do not mean to be disrespectful to Stout administrators. This had to be a very difficult decision for them to make. Unfortunately, it is difficult to bring experienced ESL professionals who have both the academic and marketing experience needed to make ESL Programs self-sufficient to the Wisconsin campuses. ESL is a multi-billion dollar a year industry and the competition is very tough. If the program itself is not making money and there is no support from Madison, then it is very difficult for small ESL programs to survive.

Should administrators spend money to bring foreign students on to our campuses or should that money be spent improving the education of the taxpaying Wisconsin residents? This is not an easy question. (Though one could argue that bringing foreign students onto our campuses does increase the overall educational quality of a campus.) Personally, I have fallen in love with UW-Stevens Point and Wisconsin and it is now my life's mission to bring as many foreign students to study in Wisconsin as possible. This is a great place to learn about the "real America" and I want to share our world with the world at large.

Jim Kelim, Director
English as a Second Language Prog.

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Stout Student Association

News and Notes

To all student organizations:

Guess what? It's that time of year again to fill out forms for re-recognition for the 1999/2000 school year. Pick up your forms in your mailbox or at the SOC Desk. For those student organizations that were just recognized, you will also have to fill out all the forms again. If you would like to become a recognized student organization, now is the perfect time to do it. If you have any questions, please contact the Organizational Affairs Director in the SSA office at x-1028.

President's Award

The President's Award is given to a student who has shown outstanding leadership and has done the most to promote the campus throughout all the years they've attended Stout. The award is decided by the current president of the SSA. This year's award winner is Prather Fowlkes. Prather has been very instrumental at promoting diversity and is always involved with something on campus.

Congratulations Prather!

Diversity Award

The Diversity Award is given to someone who has continuously fought for diversity on campus. The Director of Diversity is the one who decides the recipient. This year's winner is Henry Tyler. Henry has promoted diversity every since he arrived on this campus. By becoming the Director of Diversity, Vice President, and finally the President of the SSA he was even more effective at bringing change to this campus. One of the most important things he did this past year was to help pass the Credentials Initiative which helped to bring more diversity seats to the Student Senate.

Thank you Henry!

Congratulations to the new Executive Board members! You've passed the test, you've made it, and now you get paid for all of your hard work.

Kudos to the new kids on the block:
Mandy Underbakke, the new Financial Affairs Director, Angella Reed, Academic Affairs Director, Reatrice Gayfield, Director of Diversity, Glenn Perry, Legislative Affairs Director, and Bryan Rottier, Organizational Affairs Director. Good luck to you and the 30th Congress!

Thank you to all outgoing Exec. Board members: Colleen Becker, Josh Johnson, Adam Dodd, Henry Tyler, and Jim Galloy. Love ya; mean it!

Total self healing- one single location

by Alish Cora
Staff Reporter

Total healing has a new address. A dynamic opportunity is right at the fingertips here in Menomonie.

The Helios Center offers service that provides healing for the whole self. The Center is a diverse and integrated way to healing and wellbeing in a supportive environment that promotes the highest quality of life.

"The Helios Center is a whole body, whole family, whole community center," Linda said.

In business for seven years now, the building is owned by Capra, who also does chiropractic work in the center. Within its walls there are separate businesses that are privately owned.

Though all of the businesses may differ in nature, they are similar in their purpose to generate the highest level of health possible.

It's now possible to receive a full day of serious relaxation along with working towards a healthy way of moving through life here in Menomonie.

The Center offers chiropractic work, sterling therapeutic massage, a botanical pharmacy, reflexology, certified rolfing (deep tissue massage), and psychotherapy. The Blue Moon Cafe and Deli is also open in the Helios Center to allow people to grab a bite of

Though all of the businesses may differ in nature, they are similar in their purpose- to generate the highest level of health possible.

nature. The chiropractic work done by Linda Capra specializes in Network Spinal Analysis. This is a step by step approach to utilizing all forms of chiropractics relying on the individual's physical timing. Capra believes this type of chiropractic work gives the highest level of help to the individuals using it.

Paula Bernini, a midwife at the center, specializes in prenatal care, child birth education, well-women care, and family planning. Paula works with pregnant women throughout their term to care for them as well as the health of the baby. She stays with the mother throughout the pre-natal stage to the birth and then postpartum. She is also at the Center to consult with clients, regarding their issues, ideas and their need for resources concerning pregnancy or women's issues.

Psychotherapy is yet another way of healing offered. Maria Splide recently joined the center and is happy to begin her private practice. Maria offers individual, couple, and family counseling. She has also been trained in transpersonal psychology, and specializes in guided imagery, meditation and dream work.

Maria has been a presenter for the past two years at UW-Stout's Mind, Body and Spirit Conference, doing workshops on dream interpretation as well as stress reduction. She is offering a workshop June 3, at the Helios Center from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on dream interpretation technique and working through dreams.

The Helios Health Blitz is coming up May 20, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. This is a way to develop the whole person with the unique services provided. Chiropractic, reflexology, massage, amma (form of massage) and rolfing will all be offered with rates at only $10.00 per service. There will also be a 10 percent discount off regular prices at the Blue Moon Cafe/Deli and the Indianhead Botanical Pharmacy.

The Center sponsors several events throughout each month. Kat Thompson, speaking on May 6 at the Congregational Church in Menomonie, will talk about emotions.

On May 8, she will be at the Creamery, putting on a four-hour workshop teaching people how to deal positively with emotions. She will be discussing emotional health as well as responsibility for one's own emotions.

The center is located at 815 Main Street in Menomonie.



Photo by Krystal Johnson, *Staff Photographer*

Bottles and vials. Ointments, tinctures, herbs and remedies. Salves and essential oils. They're all part of the natural healing concept and the Helios Center offers every way imaginable to obtain healing.

Putting money to work

by Jake Groshek
Staff Reporter

Stocks, bonds and mutual funds. Putting money to work. Buy low, sell high.

While nearly every college student has heard these catch phrases, most disregard them and put it off until later in life. For those about to graduate, this could be a very costly mistake.

Is graduation the best time to start investing in one's financial future? This is a common question for any graduating student, and the answer is definitely yes.

Even though a recent graduate might be concerned with repaying loans, bills, and buying such things as a new car, investing soon after college can pay enormous dividends. Although retirement might seem too distant to fathom, it is never too early to start preparing for the future.

Many concerned investors have found financial freedom through mutual funds. A mutual fund is a company that makes investments for shareholders. The fund pools money from many investors with similar outcome objectives and investment interests. Through research and market trends, the fund then invests the pooled money into one or several areas. The investor sits back and makes money one of two ways. They can be paid either the dividend earned from the fund's investment or the security that can be sold for a profit.

Most students still don't realize why they should start investing now. Starting early earns more money from a smaller investment.

Imagine that a student graduates at the age of 22 and invests $2,000 per year for the next nine years. At the age of 31, the total initial investment is $18,000. For the next thirty years, the successful Stout graduate lets the money do the work and does not invest any more money. As retirement approaches at the age of sixty, this individual has earned around $270,000, for a net profit of about $250,000.

Should another graduate wait nine years to begin investing in the same mutual fund, the difference is remarkable. This person could invest $2,000 per year from age thirty to age sixty, and have a total of $60,000 invested upon retirement. This individual will have earned about $260,000, for a net profit of $200,000 at age sixty.

The difference is clear. The first individual invested about one-third of the second yet still gained nearly $50,000 more in net profits.

Most enrolled college students can not afford such an investment, but graduates who have entered the dreaded real world should attempt to take advantage of investment opportunities as soon as possible.

Jeffrey Krumenauer of American Express Financial Advisors said, "Start early, even if it's a small amount."

He also recommended utilizing company offered savings plans, such as a 401K immediately upon taking a job.

The age-old phrase "time is money" still rings true as the millennium approaches.

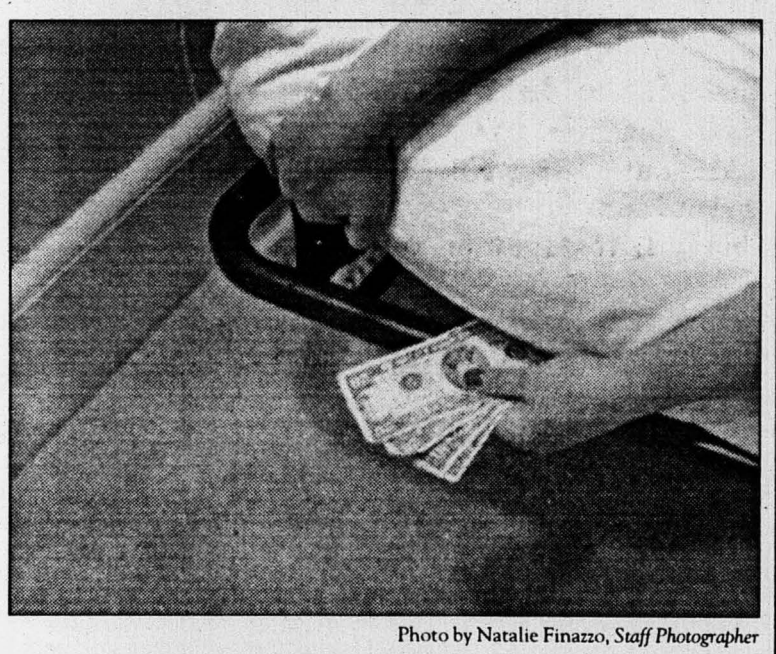


Photo by Natalie Finazzo, *Staff Photographer*

Saving money under the mattress? Why not invest the money and earn interest? The earlier the investment is started, the more the payoff will be in the long-run.

Just Another Day...

Just Another Day depicts a real student's life. The contents may be sensitive to some and are not appropriate for children. This week Chloe's canoe outing is discussed.

by Chloe Hopkins
Staff Reporter

Graduation is crawling near like that unwanted spider in your closet. Sure you want it out, but you don't want to deal with the method of getting it out. Between now and then, I will not be surprised if I go crazy.

I went canoeing with three of my friends and co-workers on Saturday before work. (Jake's Supper Club has canoes for the public to rent.) I thought this would be a good way to tune myself into my natural world and relieve my stress level. It was beautiful. Not a cloud in the sky.



Everything went smoothly until we got into the canoe. Now, I would like to place the blame on my current partner, because when I was in Bible School, I went canoeing at the Boundry Waters once. So, I know I can canoe, but it didn't seem like it.

Our destination was Elk Point, which was a resort that by land was only a couple miles away. Well, we thought, if we cut through the lake, it should be an even shorter trip. We planned for an hour to get there and an hour to get back, which would leave us plenty of time to be back for work.

Once we learned how to stop going around in circles, we were speed demons. We cut through the water like warm butter. I sat back and imagined us in the Olympics a few years later. We would bring home the gold for the U.S., and bring it all back to the day where we just wanted to get to Elk Point for a quick game of pool.

Before your mind runs wild with thoughts, I would like to say we made it to our destination. In fact, my partner was so excited to reach dry land that she jumped out of the canoe. If anyone has ever been in this situation, they can visualize what I am about to say.

The force of her getting out rocked the boat, which set me off balance. Not a big deal, right? Well, I was standing. Let me just say, on the opener of fishing, I was probably the opener swimmer.

So the dripping pool that I am, I slosh to dry land. Just as I'm about to ream her a new...a man comes out of nowhere holding his hand. "I need a ride to the emergency room," he yells frantically as blood is gushing from his arm. "What'd you do?" I ask, as all I can do is stand there and drip. At this point, I'm thinking, what am I sup-

Please see Chloe on page 9

Artist's work becomes a media exposé



Drawings submitted by Tami Snodgrass

An art major and senior at Stout, Snodgrass' artistic talent roams from creating jewelry to drawing people. Her illustrations have won an appearance in the June/July issue of *Jane* Magazine.

by Sarah Blarek
Staff Reporter

Art major Tami Snodgrass is well on the way to being noticed in the world. She recently entered her etchings in an art and fiction contest sponsored by Jane Magazine, and won.

As winner of the contest, she will be illustrating a section story for the magazine that will appear in the June/July issue.

Snodgrass is in her sixth year of studying art at Stout, and will be graduating this month.

She seems overwhelmed with all the attention she has been receiving for this accomplishment; but is grateful as well. "I've been drawing since I was a little kid. I draw people. It's a really a study of people; I've learned how to capture them. I was so excited when I won. I'd like to think it's going to get me somewhere," Snodgrass said.

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>
> *Tami Snodgrass*

Her artistic talent does not stop at etchings; she also creates jewelry and does metals work. She recently made a set of wedding rings for a friend, which she really enjoyed designing.

One of Snodgrass' professors, Rob Price, agrees that she has found a maturity in drawing, particularly from the figure.

"Tami found her focus in highly personalized imagery after a few semesters, beyond the basic processes. She was able to work independently from any direct instruction. I believe she is quite capable of handling the future, especially since she knows she will have to stand out in the midst of other working artists," Price said.

After graduation, Snodgrass hopes to find a job either working with metals creating jewelr, or illustrating children's books. She plans to spend at least a week in New York with other Stout graduates already living there in order to get a feel for the possibilities.

Chloe Continues

from page 8

posed to do? Canoe him across the lake to get to my car? He would be dead by then. Then I thought about whether anyone was sober enough in the bar to give him a ride.

By this time he is swaying back and forth. I take my wet shirt (I had a swimming suit on) and wrap it around his arm. It seemed he got his fishing lure caught in his arm when he was casting and it basically took a huge chunk of him with it in the water. If this keeps on happening, Tainter Lake is going to have a school of man-eating fish.

Applying pressure, we walked to the bar. He spotted a friend who was more than happy to take him in, thank God. I had dreams that night of frantically paddling in circles while trying to get to my car. Not a good sign.

"I think I would like to get my wet ass back to my car," I say with a sigh. I looked at my three friends. They just stood there, with mouths agape. Motionless, they were caught in time. Finally, the first of them shook out of it. "Did that just happen?" she questioned.

On the way back, the wind that was pushing us along was now forcing us backwards. Waves were riding over the sides of our canoes and we were scooping it out with our small cooler just about as fast as it was going back in. We were measuring our progress by inches. "I think as soon as we get into the bay, the wind will calm down," I said, crossing my fingers.

Ah, safety. I look around to see the other three as wet as me. I chuckle before I realize I have half-an hour to get to Jake's and go to work. This is the time where we started frantically paddling.

We got on to dry land and minus one shirt, I trailed my way up to work. Four wet workers approached their boss and said in unison, "It's just going to take us a few minutes to get ready." To which our boss just shook his head (I think by this time he's used to my little incidences.)

My friends all looked at me and responded in unison, "Is this just an everyday occurrence in the world of Chloe?"



Photo submitted by Stout Council on Family Relations

Detective Beth Winge
Case Number: 014
Full Name: Stout Council on Family Relations

Under investigation for: Harrassing dorm members and asking for food. It seems this group split up and knocked on as many dorm rooms as posible to get people to give them something to eat. When under questioning, they claimed to have taken the 500 food items to the Interfaith Food Pantry. No food has been found at this time.

Current reports have suggested: In addition to the food incident, members have also been reported at the American Lutheran Home. Although they claimed to have been passing out May baskets, the same suspicious behavior was documented in Feburary when they claimed to have been passing out Valentines Day cards. After each incident, the Home's pets were reported missing. Fluffy and Spike are still missing.

Suspicious behavior: Members met incognito with an expert in self-defense. It is our belief their intentions are to beat the officers down and steal their guns if they are ever arrested.

Future investigations concerning: It is common knowledge that they are having a picnic at the end of the year to celebrate graduation. Sources say Fluffy and Spike will then be sold into the black market.

OBSOLETE

TOP TEN REASONS TO WORK AT THE STOUTONIA

10. You have your very own computers and a copier.
9. You get to stay out until dawn on a Wednesday night and not have a hangover in the morning.
8. You will always have a drinking buddy.
7. Good excuse to skip class.
6. Great pick-up line: "I'm sure you've seen my name in the Stoutonia." (Hint: name can be sub stituted for picture, story, etc..).
5. Professors are pretty impressed until the April Fool's edition comes around.
4. You can finally bitch at Chloe in person and save the hate mail for your ex.
3. Speaking of ex's, you won't have time to miss them.
2. Your pay checks almost cover your parking tickets.
1. You work with people who work hard to put out every Thursday.

The results are in: the outstanding teachers and students are...

Submitted by The College of Human Development

The College of Human Development (CHD) awards for Outstanding Teachers and Outstanding Students of the Year will bepresented at a reception in the Home Economics Building tonight.

All outstanding teachers and students were recognized for their contributions by Dean John Wesolek.

Students from CHD selected Professor Peter D'Souza as their Teacher of the Year.

In April, student voting produced their top 5% of professors. These included professors Don Baugham, Peter D'Souza, Jill Klefstad, Robin Muza, Judy Rommel, and David Rosenthal. A panel from the Dean's Student Advisory Council then interviewed these finalists to select the Teacher of the Year.

Outstanding Graduate Faculty Awards were given to professors Richard Tafalla and Jill Thompson.

Students were also recognized for their contributions. Their grades (3.0 and above) and nomination by a professor were the initial screening criteria. Those students then answered a questionnaire detailing their participation and contribution to their programs. The Student Advisory Council Selection Panel selected the Outstanding Students of the Year from the finalists.

The following recipients are listed by program: Undergraduate Students-Dietetics, Lisa Bortz; Early Childhood, Sara Kozlowski, Kim Mathews, Jean Raney; Family and Consumer Educational Services, Susan Turgeson; Food Systems Technology, Kelly Stelson; Hospitality and Tourism, Lara Kallavang, Prema Monterio; Human Development and Family Studies, Karen Strandemo; Psychology, Sara Rasque; Vocational Rehabilitation, Tracy Thill; Graduate Students: Applied Psychology, Laura Fletcher; Food Science and Nutrition, Anita Gheller, Madonna Gjengdahl; Guidance and Counseling in Mental Health, Amy Sergerstrom; Guidance and Counseling in School Counseling, Erica Budzinski, Heidi Fifield; Home Economics, Ruth Kirchner; Hospitality and Tourism, Jim Bloms, Scott Graff; School Psychology, Kelly Lamon; Vocational Rehabilitation, Jeffrey Lund.

Other CHD students were recognized for their achievements this year: Katie Jacobson (All American Award), Jon Clough (Arthur J. Packard Award), and Tara Tepe (Co-op Student of the Year).

Congra GRAD

Carl-

Mom and I can't tell you how proud we are to be your parents. You deserve the best in the future for all your effort. Go get em!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Amy-

What a blessing you've been. We're very proud parents. Your kindness and thoughtfulness has been your greatest asset, use it wisely. We love you!

Mom and Dad



Kevin Duffy,

We knew that you were destined for construction management. Congratulations!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Beth-

Congratulations on all you've done. With your desire and determination you'll go far in achieving your dreams. We're proud of you and love you.

Dad and Mom



Rebecca from Manty,

We are so proud of you. You finally fulfilled your dream. We love you and wish you the best in your new job. Great things are ahead for you Bee!



Michael-

How truly proud we are of you. Congratulations! We know that you will have a very happy and successful life. Keep that smile!

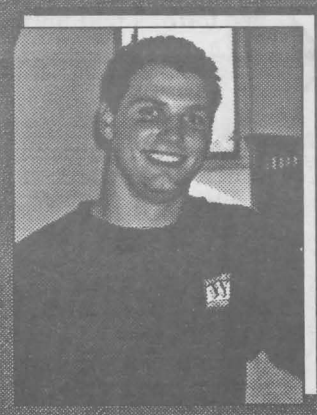
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Giz



Mark-

Congratulations! We're so proud of you and wish you a future of success and happiness and low golf scores!

Love, Mom, Dad, Christy, John, Emily, and Stosh



Ali-

Here's to you. Good cheer and good luck we are the proudest. What you have accomplished is very honorable. Rock on sister! We love you!

Love,
Mom, Charlie, and Ang

Katy D.-

Congratulations! "You done good!"

Love Mom, Dad, and Laurie



Congratulations Tania!

We're so proud of everything you have accomplished! Good luck in achieving all your future dreams! We love you!!

Dad, Mom, and Casey



Lindsay-

It seems like only yesterday you were our precious little girl. Now you're graduating from college! You've filled our lives with love, pride, and joy!



Lana-

Congratulations on your graduation! We are so proud of you and all you've done. Go out and conquer the world. We love you!

Mom, Dad, and Eric



Ben-

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Love, Mom and Dad



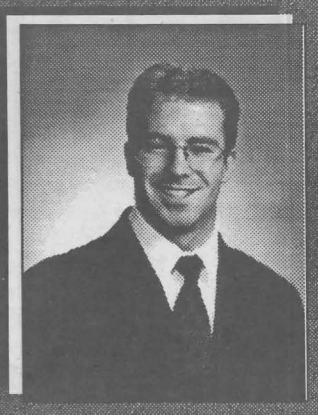
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UATES!



Mike-

Way to go! A degree and a job, what more could parents ask for! We hope that your career brings you as much joy and friends as Stout did.

Our love,
Mom and Dad



Dan-

Congratulations! Life is a series of changes. You have conquered one and are about to venture forth on another. Good Luck!

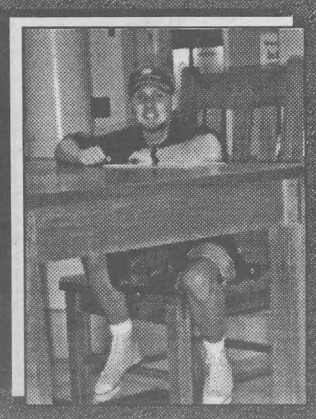
Love from
your family!



Kari-

Congratulations on achieving one more goal! We are very proud of you! We pray God's very best for your future. We love you very much!

Mom and Dad



Congratulations son!

Remember, all men are ignorant, only in different things. As you launch out into the deep, keep your eyes looking upward.

Love Dad and Mom



George-

I'm so proud of your accomplishments in college and in your life. Congratulations on you new position. I know you'll do a fantastic job!

I love you,
Mom



Ruth Ann Drake-

Congratulations! We are very proud parents and are so excited about all your accomplishments. Keep up the hard work.

Love,
Mom, Dad and JoAnn



John-

We thanked God for giving us a son like you. We are very proud of your achievements. Son, you are the best! Congratulations! We pray for your success!

Love, Dad and Mom



Craig-

Follow your dream...take one step at a time and don't settle for less. Just continue to climb. We're all very proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Kari, and Pete

Stacy-

You did it! Graduating as a Summa Cum Laude! We are so proud of you and know great things are ahead for you. No dream is too big!

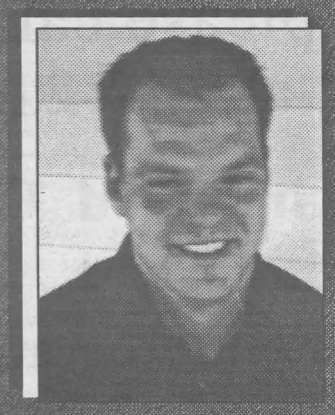
Love you,
Mom, Dad, Mike, Jen,
Aaron, Boys, and Steph



Becky,

We're so proud of you. Congratulations on all that you have achieved. Good luck in your future. We will always be behind you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Nicole,
and Amy



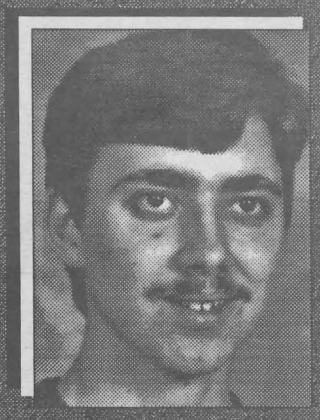
Congratulations Marc!

You did it! We're very proud of you and your "sisu" in accompoishing this goal. Much success to you in the future.

Love,
Liina, Mom, and Dad



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tion. We are proud of you!



Gwidon,

Congratulations on all your academic achievements! We are so proud of all your accomplishments and wish you all the best! We love you!

Mom and Dad

This space was paid for by the family and friends of these graduates. If you would like to be featured or to feature a loved one in this section, please look for details for next year's graduation issue in the spring.
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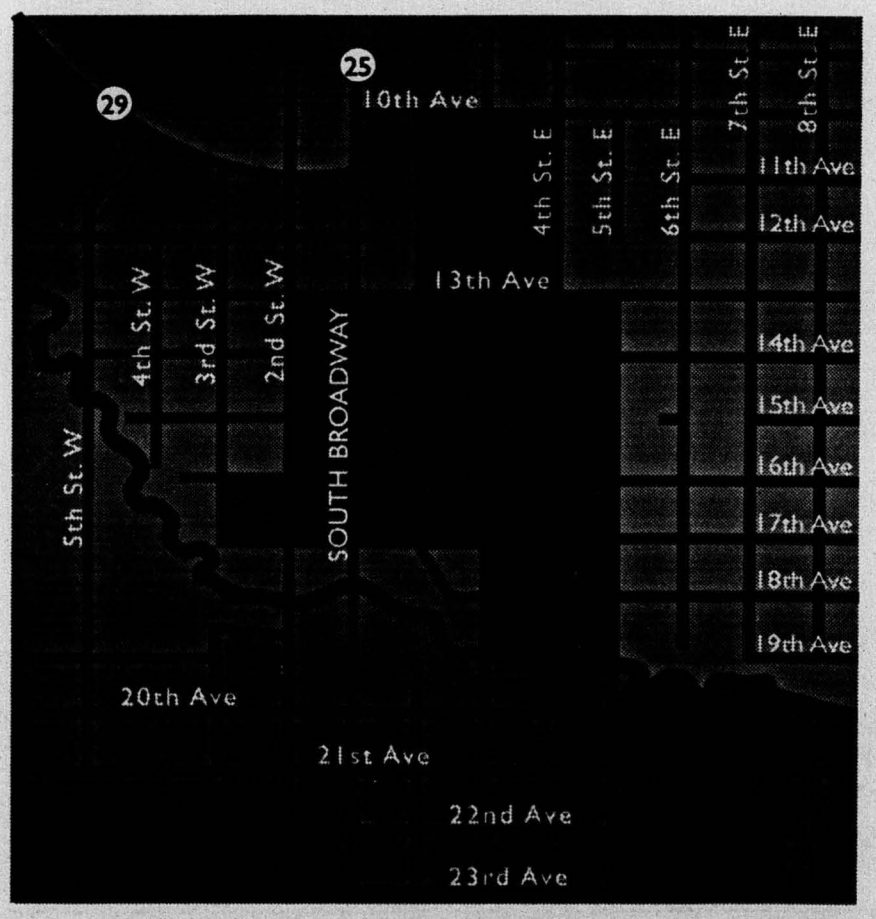
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Metal meets cello

■ A Finish group found its niche by combining the least likely sounds- metal and classical

One would have little doubt that the metal giant Metallica has had a considerable influence on the world of rock music. What one might not realize is just how far that influence has carried.

Our story begins in a far away land with a funny name, Helsinki, Finland. There, not too long ago (circa 1993), four aspiring students from the prestigious Sibelius Academy for classical musicians came across an interesting and novel notion.



Casey Klein

Group: Apocalyptica
Album: Apocalyptica plays Metallica by four cellos
Sound: A mix of heavy metal and classical music
Origin: Helsinki, Finland
Rating: 1/2

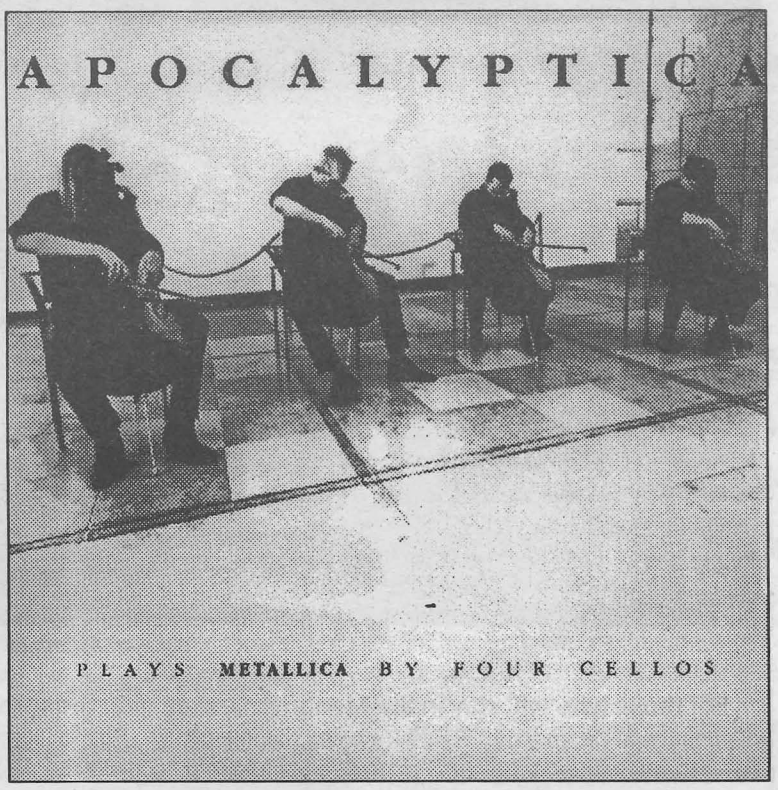


Photo courtesy of www.mercury records.com/mercury/artistslist.utml.

A new Helsinki band is testing all the borders, mixing classical and metal music to make their own sound. Apocalyptica began by playing Metallica music on cellos and has expanded to Slayer and Megadeth.

What was the concept? Let's play Metallica by cello.

From this initial idea, the quartet teamed up to do local shows acoustically with their metal-based entourage while continuing to focus on the more traditional stylings of classical cello. That all changed in late 1995 when the team did their first amplified show, which earned them a record deal with Mercury records (the same label which boasts a roster of such hard hitting acts as Rammstein, Cake, and Biohazard).

The quartet, quickly dubbed Apocalyptica, has thus far produced two full length CDs, one in 1996 comprised of all Metallica songs and a second in late 1998 branching out to other acts including Slayer and Megadeth.

Their first-release title, *Apocalyptica plays Metallica by four cellos*, makes the album instantly intriguing. And the main themes throughout the disc live up to the unique name. Nowhere have I found a band which so perfectly matches two total opposing sounds, while improving them both. The quartet is entirely in tune with each other, able to duplicate the guitar, drum, and vocal sound of Metallica on their cellos.

As for the selection of songs, Apocalyptica doesn't beat around the bush. They took on some of Metallica's most difficult, as well as most popular, musical demonstrations.

Among the releases are Enter Sandman, the song which arguably put Metallica in the limelight, Master of Puppets, The Unforgiven, and Welcome Home (Sanitarium). Each of these are so well-done, Metallica fans will soon be screaming out Hatfield-'s missing vocal sound.

Unfortunately, there are two reasons to be leery of picking up this CD. Structurally, the CD is front and back heavy, leaving little enthusiasm for the middle of the disc. Between the opening Enter Sandman and the finisher Welcome Home, some spunk is missing.

The second is the key vocals which a cello just can't duplicate. After listening to the cello version, one will be undoubtedly be drawn to follow up with any CD bursting with vocal dynamics. These two factors are large drawbacks to the CD.

But Apocalyptica puts forth a great showing on their first disc, for those who aren't turned off by something a little different. This is also a must CD to complete anyone's Metallica collection in-progress.

On their initial CD, Apocalyptica earns a four-and-a-half, and my gratitude for trying something new and doing very well with it.

This just in...

Last Week's Top 10 Movies

Figures represent weekend's North American gross in millions (first figure), followed by cumulative North American gross in millions (second figure), as of this past weekend.

1. Entrapment ($20.1 / $20.1)
2. The Matrix ($8.7 / $129.7)
3. Life ($6.5 / $46.3)
4. Never Been Kissed ($4.1 / $36.5)
5. Analyze This ($2.2 / $98.5)
6. Ten Things I Hate About You ($1.8 / $31.3)
7. Idle Hands ($1.8 / $1.8)
8. Lost and Found ($1.3 / $5.0)
9. Pushing Tin ($1.2 / $5.8)
10. Go! ($1.2 / $14.4)

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Horoscopes

For the week of May 6, 1999 through May 12, 1999

by Missy C. Stars

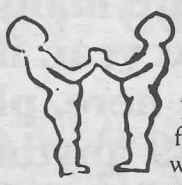




Aries (March 21 - April 19) Stay out of the Cheez Balls today.



Taurus (April 20 - May 20) You will take a vow to always tell the truth, but it will backfire on you. Most people find that behavior highly suspicious, and more than a little deviant.



Gemini (May 21 - June 20) This is an excellent day to dare. Dare to be different. Dare to wear your trousers rolled. Dare to dance naked with chipmunks in the Everglades. That sort of thing.



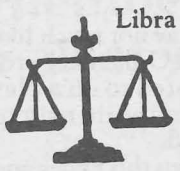
Cancer (June 21 - July 22) We're all doomed and going to hell! Whoops! Perhaps I exaggerated that one a bit.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22) You will have a secret meeting with a representative from a foreign corporation. The password will be "Fling me a spicy burrito, Stanley". Unfortunately, you may have to say this to quite a few people before you find the right one.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22) Good day to hide an iguana in someone's satchel. They will not be expecting that, so everyone will get a good chuckle out of it.



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22) Pretend you have amnesia for a day. It'll be funny.



Scorpio (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21) You'll be forced to go to the library for the first time all year. Some of your friends will see you there and laugh at you.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21) Today you will either be snug as a bug in a rug, or smug as a thug on a drug. Hard to say for sure.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19) Tiddly wink day. Make it count.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18) You'll take an IQ test soon only to find out that you are legally retarded.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - March 20) Missionaries will visit campus this week, and you'll have an excellent opportunity to slip into your demon costume before walking to class.

Candlebox expands on the use of "Happy Pills"

Candlebox

Kevin Martin—vocals
Peter Klett—guitar
Bardi Martin—bass

With the release of their 3rd album "Happy Pills" in July of 1998, rock band Candlebox is going out on tour this summer with a scheduled stop in Eau Claire on June 4th.



Phil Skretvedt
The release:
Happy Pills
The band:
Candlebox
Upcoming: The group will be in Eau Claire over the summer, as well as stops in Green Bay and Chicago.
Tickets: Available through ticketmaster at $17.50 in advance.

Still, it's been around 6 years since Candlebox first jumped onto the popular music scene, and 3 years since they last put out an album. Where did they go? What have they been doing?

Well, I got a chance to speak to lead singer Kevin Martin by phone yesterday and he gave me the low-down. It seems that after their 1993 4x-platinum debut album, self-titled "Candlebox", the band was basically rushed into the studio to crank out album #2 while they still had some momentum.

"This was a mistake," Martin said. "We had just gotten back from touring and so consequently the '95 album 'Lucy' lacked our usual creative energy."

So after "Lucy's" poor sales, the band decided to take a break for a few years and come up with some quality music for "Happy Pills."

I haven't had a chance to listen to Candlebox's new release and I haven't heard anything of theirs on the radio. I asked Martin why this was and he answered that the radio is big into Pop and Rap music at the present timeframe, and alternative and rock music are on the decline.

Still, Martin feels that this is the group's best album so far, because it was a record made strictly for themselves and for their fans. He admits that the group decided to try something new. They added a slide guitar on a few songs and had drummer Dave Krusen, formerly of Pearl Jam, sit in on percussion after the departure of original member Scott Mercado. Martin also feels that they went for more of a pure sound, rather than something that is processed and mixed.



Photo by submitted by Candlebox

For those who will stay in the Menomonie area over the summer the product of the 90's, Candlebox, will perform in Altoona over the summer. Singer Kevin Martin has hailed the tour as having 'unreal energy' and promises to deliver to the area audience on June 4.

If you're going to be around the Eau Claire area this June 4, check them out at the Altoona Sports Arena with opening band Oleander.

Other cities around our area they'll be playing at are Green Bay-May 15th, Chicago-June 1st, and Fargo-June 5th. All tickets are on sale now through Ticketmaster®, and they should run you about $17.50 in advance.

My advice to those who bought their first album would be to give their new album a listen, or check them out on tour this summer.

They seem to be one of the few bands who don't get caught up in record sales or Billboard charts. I mean the lead singer called my dorm himself and talked for half an hour! How many well known bands would do something like that?
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Student takes on director role

by Shallyn Tipler
Staff Reporter

Michael Langley, a Stout student who has been excepted to Columbia's art and film school next year, will be directing his first play "Death Defying Acts". The play will run on May 7th and 8th at 7:30 pm, Harvey Hall Theater.

Langley had been inspired to direct a play ever since last year's student directed play. Not very often, if at all, does a student take the time and energy to direct their own show. Before last year, a student hadn't taken on the task in more than six years.

Langley is very demanding of his actors and actresses and keeps them rolling at all times. However, he is real to his cast and crew, for they also are students. Langley and the cast have been working on the performance now for almost two months.

"We have been left to ourselves and put in many hours to give our audience the best performance possible," Langley said.

The play is a collaboration of three one act plays with very different plots.

"You'll be on your toes and experience a play not much like those seen in a University production. I wanted to do a play with a bizarre and weird twist to it," Langley said.

The play opens this Friday and is a free show.

The fiasco will begin at 7:30 in the Harvey Hall theater and does fulfill Theater requirements for students still needing them before next week.

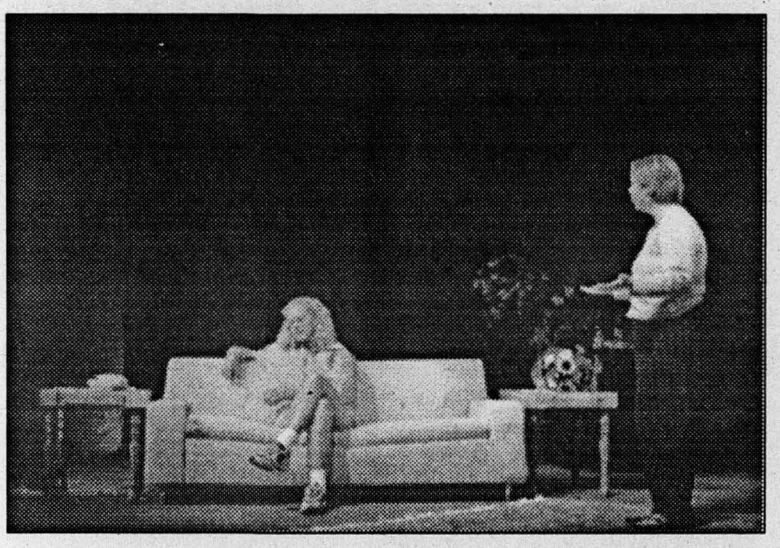
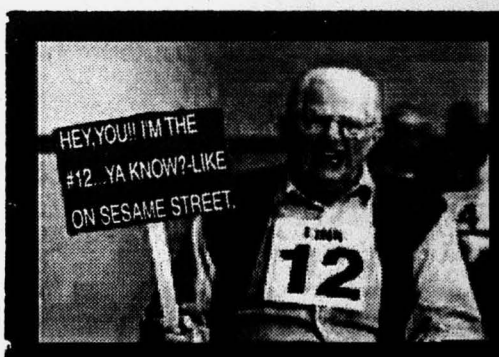


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In his first directing effort, Langley and his cast will open the play "Death Defying Acts" in Harvey Hall tomorrow night and Saturday.

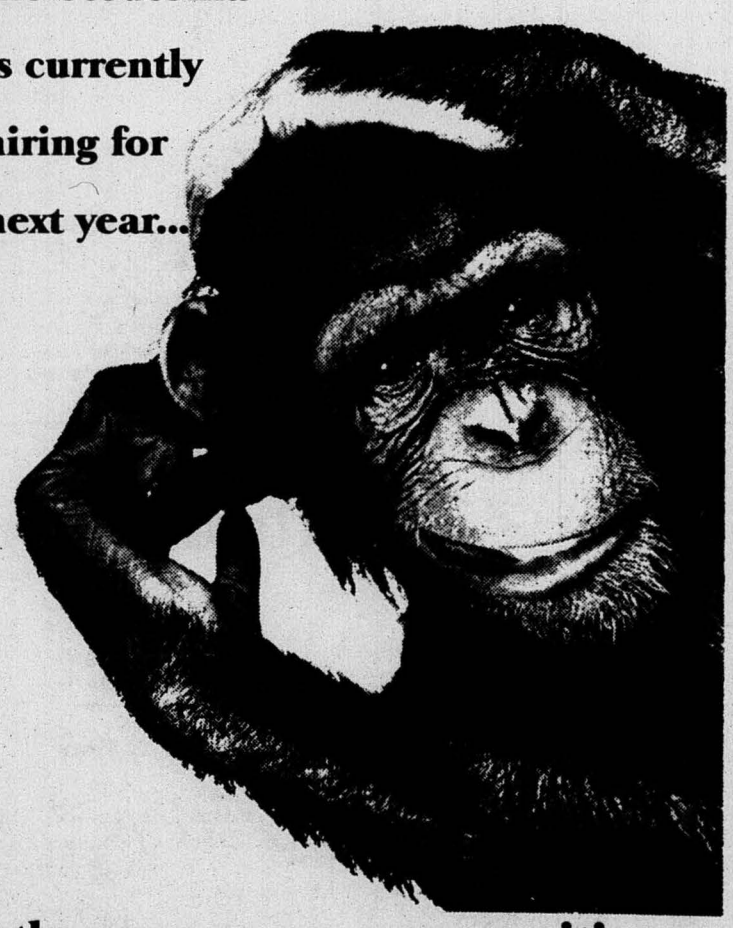


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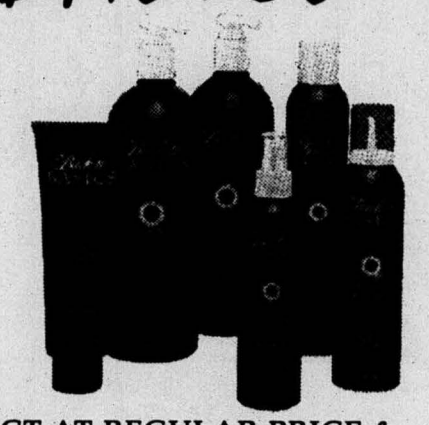
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Baseball sweeps WIAC doubleheader

by Nicholas Czaplewski
Staff Reporter

The Stout Men's Baseball Team took the field against UW- River Falls at Nelson Field in Menomonie last Friday. It was a WIAC doubleheader and the Blue Devils swept them, 4-3, 8-3.

Scott Meyer was the defenseman on the mound for the Blue Devils, giving up six hits and no earned runs as he threw two strikeouts and walked two. Tony Vitcenda proved to be the man offensively in the first game that came through for Stout, providing the game winning hit and scoring JW Dachel.

Eric Lund stepped up for the Blue Devils in game two against UW-River Falls, going 4-for-4 to tally three RBI's. He hit two singles, a double, and a deep home run.

Zak Arneson was on the mound, struggling with some wild pitching. He hit five batters; however, he struck out nine of them for a great turn-around.

Josh Johnson doubled and Lund was the one who sent him home with his own double. Nick Kalina was struck by a pitch, forwarded to second by Ryan Hanson's sacrifice bunt, then the Falcons' first baseman had a throwing error to score both Lund and Kalina.

Both Lund and Kalina received some RBI's in the seventh inning by hitting singles as well.

Last Saturday, the team traversed to UW- Superior and split with them, recovering from a 9-2 loss and severely punishing the Yellowjackets 12-5 in their WIAC doubleheader.

Lund did his best to help Stout out, but even with it they could only tally six hits, going 2-for-4 with yet another RBI. The Blue Devils left 12 runners on base throughout the game.

To finish the game, it seemed as though it was going to be the same for Stout, with the Yellowjackets starting out with a 2-0 lead. But then Andy Guden literally stepped up to bat and went 2-for-4 with two RBI's, while Johnson went 2-for-5. Lund went 1-for-5, but still managed to get two RBI's and a home run, which totalled two in two days.

Tate Cummins should get in trouble with the law the way he stole bases against teams - he took one from UW- Superior, bringing his career total to 41, which is two short of the Stout record.

On Tuesday, Lund was named the WIAC baseball position player of the week for his performance over the past four games from last week.

He joined the team right before the start of the conference season and hit .438 in the four games where Stout recorded a 3-1 record. In that time span, he went 7-for-16 with seven RBI's, hitting two doubles and two longballs. He also stole his first base of the season, mimicking Cummins.

Lund is a transfer from North Dakota State, and also was the Stout football team's leading tackler.

Stout will wrap up their regular season next weekend with UW-Whitewater and UW-Platteville.

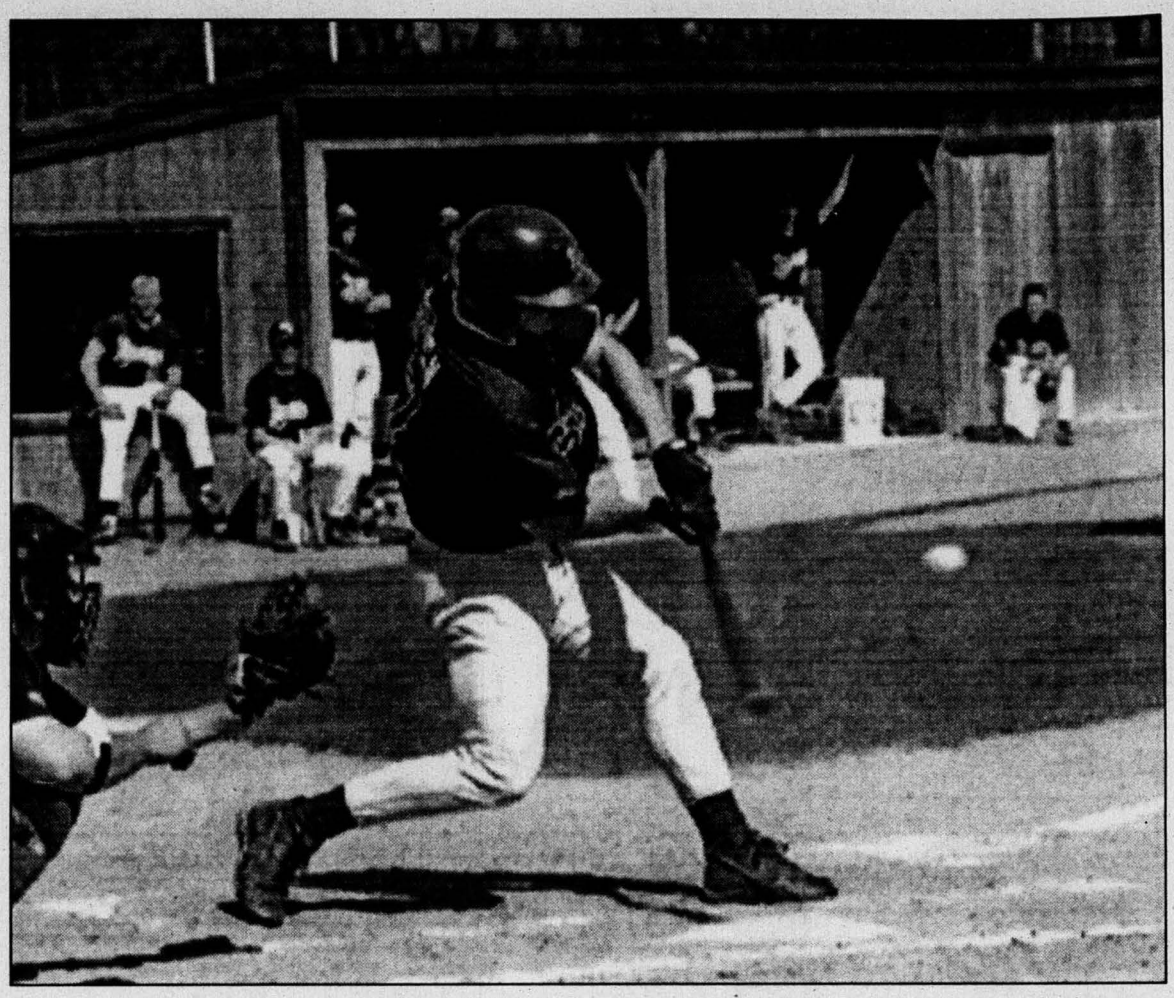


Photo by Kevin Davis, *Staff Photographer*

Andy Guden takes a swing in last week's tournament, going 2-for-4 with two RBI's. The men's baseball team was impressive in the tournament, beating River Falls 4-3 and 8-3.

Women's softball wavers

by Rich Spicer
Staff Reporter

The WIAC division standings are decided,and friends, the news is not all good. April 21 saw the Stout Women's Softball Team take the field against conference rival Eau Claire in a double header that would seal the fate for the WIAC west.

The first game was a lopsided contest which saw the Blue Devil offense stall and eventually fail. Bluegold pitcher Heidi Bergstrom held Stout to just three hits on the day and saw to it that none of them led to runs. The final was a disappointing 5-0.

The second game held more hope for the Blue Devils as Tanya Petrie came to the plate in the bottom of the second, riding a one-run lead. Earlier in the inning Bobbie Bailey had knocked in an R.B.I. (Run Batted In) to break the one-one tie which constituted the offense thus far. With two women on base, Tanya annihilated one, sending a smartly spanked ball sailing over the center field fence. It looked like smooth sailing going into the third as Stout sat upon a solid four run lead at 5-1. Unfortunately there was an unseen storm on the horizon.

Things slowly started falling apart in the fifth when the Bluegolds tacked on their first run since the first inning. Stout was able to hold on until the seventh when pitcher Rebecca Zimmeman left one hanging just long enough for a Bluegold bat to add two more to their score. One additional run was added before Stout closed out the inning, but the damage was done. Heidi Bergstrom again took the mound and shut things down for Eau Claire. The final was 6-5, in favor of the Bluegolds. With the sweep over Stout, they clinched the WIAC West title. Whitewater secured the conference title earlier this week.

Stout's bad luck continued as they faced River Falls in a double header last Wednesday. The Blue Devils were simply unable to keep pace offensively, dropping both games by margins of 12-5 and 10-8. Tournament play at the River Falls invitational was little better, again seeing River Falls dominate Stout with a final score of 16-6. Eau Claire and Stevens Point also came up with wins against the haggard Stout offense, completing season sweeps by both teams. While dark indeed, this cloud did have a silver lining.

The game against Northwestern was Stout's chance to shine. Cara Fenhouse, who's been on the disabled list since mid-April, hit her first of what would be three R.B.I.'s that game, in her first at bat. Not to be outdone, three other Blue Devils, Bobbie Bailey, Kelly Espie, and Jill Tetu, contributed two R.B.I.'s each to close the doors on Northwestern. The game was called after just five innings, with a final of 9-1.

Stout's final appearance this season will be this weekend at the WIAC Championships at Stevens Point. The first round match ups have yet to be determined, but the Blue Devils are likely to take the field Friday, May 7, in the morning.



Photo by Kevin Hayes, *Staff Photographer*

Women's softball didn't do well in the WIAC standings, losing two games, 5-0 and 9-1. Yet they made an impressive try in their second game, against the Bluegolds.

Track and field 6th in conference

by Kyle Madson
Staff Reporter

The UW-Stout Women's Track and Field Team competed in the WIAC championships this past Saturday at UW-River Falls.

The team's performance was good enough for sixth place in the conference, just eleven points short of fifth place achieved by the Pointers of UW-Stevens Point. "I was very happy with the majority of our performances," said Women's Track and Field coach Carlene Hochhalter,said.

Senior distance runner Katie Jacobson was the cornerstone of the team's success as she ran her way to the 1500-meter title at the championships. Katie owns two indoor titles in the 1500-meter but Saturday's medal was her first outdoor championship. Jacobson's time of 4 minutes, 38.33 seconds set the new school record, eclipsing her previous record by more than a second.

In addition to her 1500-meter title, Jacobson also captured third place in the 800-meters with a time of 2 minutes, 15.19 seconds. Both of Jacobson's times qualified for the national tournament which will take place in late May.

Hurdlers Michelle Abramczak and Allison West both placed in the top four in the finals of the 400-meter hurdles. Abramczak is a sophomore and West a freshmen; both improved more than a second on their preliminary times after advancing to the finals . Coach Hochhalter sites these two young athletes as well as freshmen high jumpers Ann Schwabenlender and Ann Marie Curtis as promising talent for the future.

Jennifer Turner and Katy Olsen also are in the running for national tournament bids following their respective performances on Saturday. Turner, a hammer thrower, finished fifth in that event after a throw of 142-5. Olsen looks to advance in the 10,000-meter run.

The team's next competition is this Saturday, participating in the LaCrosse Invitational. The final three meets of the season will provide opportunities for athletes to advance to the national tournament or to improve on personal bests.

The Agenda

Upcoming Blue Devil Sports Schedule

Baseball
Friday, May 7 1 p.m.
vs. UW-Whitewater
Saturday, May 8 12 p.m.

Softball
May 6-8 TBA
at WIAC Tournament

Men's Track & Field
Saturday, May 8 11 a.m.
at UW-LaCrosse Eagles Open

Women's Track & Field
Saturday, May 8 11 a.m.
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Men's rugby team wins big in tournament

Submitted by
Men's Rugby Club

The UW-Stout Men's Rugby Club earned a trophy for the first time in recent memory.

UW-Stout took second place in the 14th Annual All Saints Rugby Tournament held in St. Cloud, Minnesota, May 1-2. The tournament featured 24 teams from throughout the Midwest. Stout was the smallest school in terms of student enrollment to make it past the pool-play rounds.

Other universities in attendance included: UW-Eau Claire, University of Nebraska, University of Minnesota, UW-LaCrosse, UM-Duluth, and St. Cloud State.

During the first day of competition, Stout defeated St. Johns University 28-5, with trys (scores) by Jeremiah "Jo'Mama" McNeal (2), Jake "Bunnie" Dahn, and Eric "Nightmare" Drengler.

In their second match, Stout handed Mankato State a 30-0 pounding, with trys by Chad "Smoky" Klehr, McNeal, and Barry Braithwaite (2). With the win over Mankato State, Stout advanced past pool-play into the quarterfinals.

Stout defeated the St. Cloud Alumni 7-0 in their third match with a try by Klehr. The win over St. Cloud Alumni was impressive considering they were much larger and more experienced.

With their excellent play on Saturday, Stout earned a place in the semifinals on Sunday vs. archrival Eau Claire.

Eau Claire took an early 5-0 lead with a hard earned try and then scored another try just before halftime to take a 10-5 lead.

In the second half, Stout stormed back with a try by Drengler about halfway through the second half. Stout didn't let up and kept the pressure on Eau Claire. Their efforts paid off when Jason "Smitty" Smith broke for a brilliant try off of a quick penalty play.

The UW-Stout Men's Rugby Club earned a trophy for the first time in recent memory.

At the end of regulation time the score was knotted 10-10.

Stout continued their hard hitting defense and quick running, which had earned them the previous two tries. Klehr had a great run, dragging three Eau Claire defenders for several meters. Just as he was about to go down, he pitched the ball off to Smith, who touched the ball down in the corner of the try zone.

Next up was St. Cloud State, reigning Midwest Collegiate Cup Champions.

It was not our day against St. Cloud, as they had been able to rest the majority of their starters until they reached the semifinals. Also, Stout didn't have the luxury of extra substitutes.

St. Cloud dominated the game. Stout's only score came from Braithwaite in the first half.

Braithwaite, Dahn, Drengler, Adam "AJ" Schulz, and Smith scored their first trys as Stout ruggers. They will all be considered for the sacred Zulu Warrior status in the near future.

The last home rugby game of the spring season will be played this Saturday, May 8. Both the Stout Men's and Women's Rugby clubs will be playing. Festivities start at 11 a.m. at Lake Tainter Field near Jake's Supper Club and admission is free.

Stout Men's Rugby Club will be starting their Wisconsin league play next fall against the other UW-System schools. The team is always looking for new players. No experience is necessary. If interested in playing next fall, check out their web site http://www.rugby.uwstout.edu, send them an e-mail at mensrugby@uwstout.edu, or look for the recruiting posters next fall.



Photo submitted by Men's Rugby Club

Stout ruggers pose with rugby alumni and former Stout football All-American, Joe Bullis at the 14th Annual All Saints Rugby Tournament held in St. Cloud, Minnesota, May 1-2. They took second place in the event, a victory new to recent memory.

Press Box

Compiled by Julie Fiegel from UW-Stout Sports Information

Men's Track and Field

Buchholtz wins WIAC crown as Stout dominates vault event.

RIVER FALLS - No one had to tell the UW-Stout pole vault crew to take a flying leap. The Blue Devils' Jamie Buchholtz (So, Bloomer) captured his second Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) pole vault crown as he took the event at the outdoor championships Friday at River Falls.

Buchholtz led a crew of four Stout vaulters that scored in the event as he cleared 15-feet, 9.75-inches. Buchholtz had won the conference indoor event in March.

Behind Buchholtz was Bob Cahow (So, New Brighton, Minn) who placed third (15-3.75), Corey Knudsen (Fr, Elk Mound) who placed sixth (14-10) and Jeff Rotering (Fr, Waumandee), placing seventh (14-4).

The Blue Devils' only other first place finish came from the 4X400-relay team of Ryan Geier (So, McFarland), Troy Wyatt (Sr, Bryon, Minn), John Boldt (Sr, Hartland) and Billy Busch (Sr, Dickeyville), who clocked a NCAA Division III provisional qualifying time of 3:15.48.

Tim Hamill (Sr, Brookfield) finished second in the 3000-steeplechase in a NCAA Division III automatic qualifying time of 9:09.61.

Mike Bethke (Jr, Mondovi) was fourth in the shot put (51-7) as was Corey O'Donnell (Sr, Chippewa Falls) in the hammer throw (161-5).

O'Donnell was named the WIAC Scholar-Athlete. O'Donnell, a manufacturing engineering major who holds a grade point average of 3.25.

The Blue Devils will be at the UW-La Crosse Eagles Invitational Saturday, May 8.

WIAC Championship team results: 1. La Crosse 213; 2. Stevens Point 164; 3. Oshkosh 147; 4. Platteville 106; 5. Stout 84; 6. Eau Claire 72; 7. Whitewater 69; 8. Superior 1.

Football transfers 14 players

Submitted by *UW-Stout Sports Information*

Fourteen transfers, a class of speedy running backs and a quarterback who led his high school to the Minnesota State Championship highlight the 1999 UW-Stout football recruiting class.

The 14 transfers is the largest group coach Ed Meierkort has had in his six years with the Blue Devils.

"Taking 12 mid-semester transfers took a lot of pressure off the recruiting class," Meierkort said, "and that allowed us to concentrate on the freshmen. We recruited by need, and not by volume. This class fit our needs which included quarterbacks, offensive and defensive line and immediate impact wide receivers."

Scott Kirchoff, a 6 foot, 3 inch, 190 pound quarterback, led Hutchinson High School to the Minnesota AAAA state championship, engineering a 15 play, 70 yard drive in the final minutes of the game to down Owatonna, 21-20. Kirchoff quarterbacked the team to a perfect 14-0 record.

Kirchoff finished the 1998 season with four school record performances, tossing four touchdowns in a single game, 19 touchdown passes on the season, 1845 passing yards, and had a completion rate of 59 percent.

Local speedsters Jesse Wendt of Chetek and Luke Bungaard of Bruce lead the incoming running back class.

Wendt ran wild for the Bulldogs in a trouncing of Ladysmith when he rushed for a single game state record 419 yards. He also scored six touchdowns in the game.

Bundgaard put together more than 4000 career rushing yards and tallied more than 50 career touchdowns.

Aaron Knutson of Colfax is expected to move to the defensive side of the ball, but on offense he led the Vikings to their first playoff game since 1984. Knutson twice rushed for more than 1000 yards in a season and this year scored 13 touchdowns.

Offensive lineman Scott Polkoski, a transfer from St. Cloud State, played his high school ball at Maple-Northwestern High School and as a junior could have immediate impact on a line that lost three starters.

North Dakota State College of Science will provide the Blue Devils with defensive lineman Bill Gavin and offensive lineman Derek Branch.

Transfers Wes Lewis, from Lenoir-Rhyne College, Andy Bogenhoom from Hibbing Community College, and Matt Wirth, a native of Barron who is transfering from Minnesota-Mankato, will lead speed as well as experience. Bogenhoom was the most valuable player in the junior college all-star game last fall.

In this first installment of the 1999 recruiting class, Meierkort has five quarterbacks, four running backs, three tight ends, eight wide receivers, seven offensive linemen, 13 defensive linemen, seven linebackers, and eight defensive backs.

"We are extremely happy with our efforts," Meierkort said.

The Blue Devils finished the 1998 season at 5-5, but their passing game ranked second in the NCAA Division III. Stout opens their season Sept. 11 when they host Minnesota-Morris at 7 p.m.



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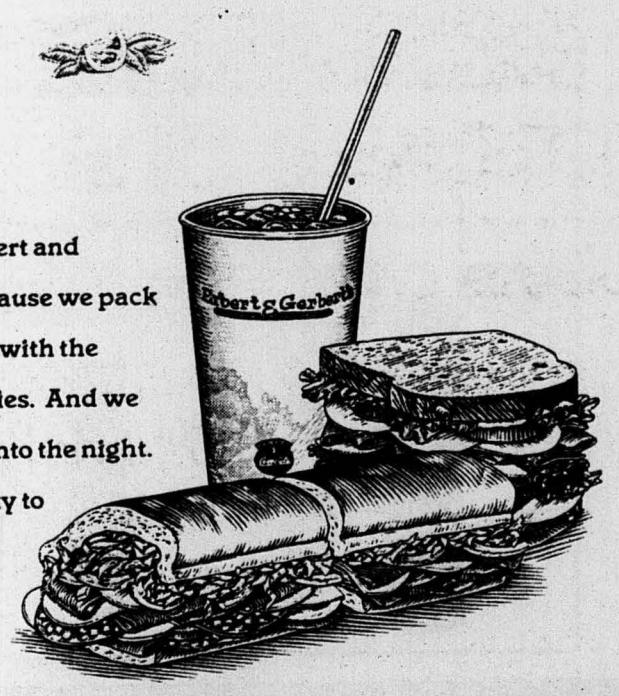
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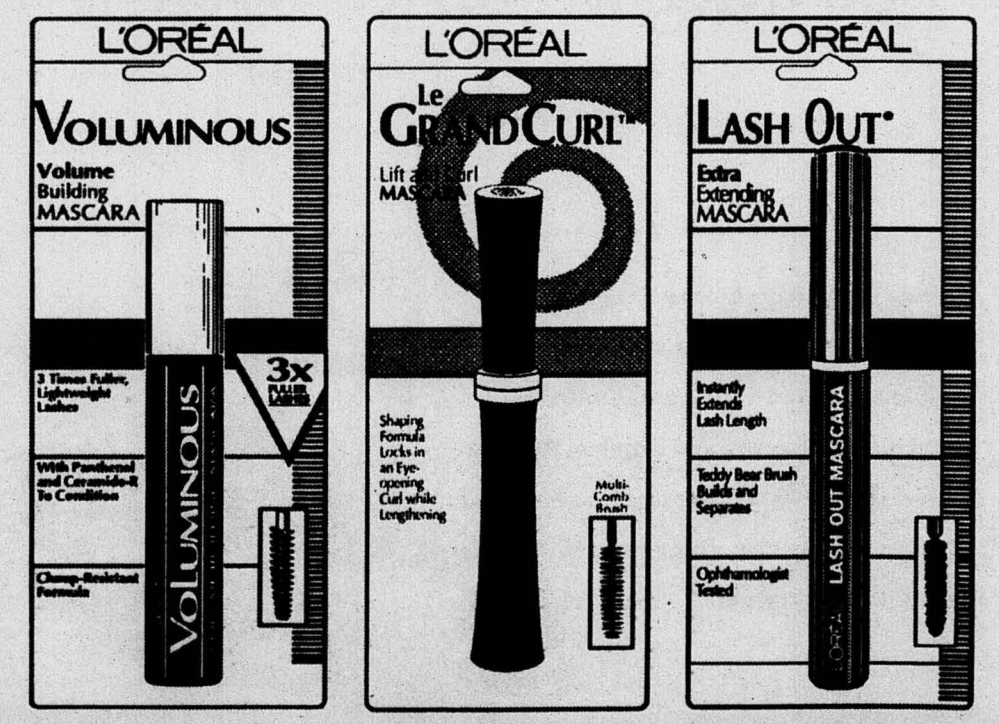
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